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Around our offices, the regular "feature departments" in the magazine have acquired short names all their own. For instance, "Scanning the Field for Ideas" is commonly known as "Scanning"; "Men of Machines" is just plain "Men" (written by our gal editor, Jane Smith, by the way); and "New Machines" for some esoteric reason lost in the dim, dark past is often called "Listings." But now one of our staff members has come up with a new idea—symbols. A few are already used: "Contemporary Design" is *CD,* "New Parts and Materials" is *NP,* etc. But we hate to think of the effect. Someone might even want to make up an Equation (see Contents page for Nomenclature):

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As for us, it's Friday, so the most apt mathematical expression for our collective state of mind is summed up by *TGIF*. By the way, if you can't figure out all of this high-class math just drop us a postcard; we'll be happy to explain.

This Month's Cover

Printing paper may have its uses, but we don't believe that it would make a good gasket material. So we don't advise cutting out any of George Farnsworth's realistic art work on this month's cover for practical use. George has attempted to give an impression of the wide range of materials that are used for gaskets—among them rubber, cork, fiber, asbestos—and a few of the many shapes. For an even better idea of what's involved in gasket selection and use, you might turn to Page 157.

Golf Clubs to Slide Rules

Engineering seems to be the favorite profession among caddies. At least, Howard Preston, a newspaper columnist, reports that 75 per cent of the caddies interviewed for scholarships by the Cleveland District Golf Association prefer engineering. And if you were to make a similar survey among engineers you'd probably find that 75 per cent prefer golf. One might say that the pattern, at least among some successful members of our profession, is golf to golf in one generation.

Are You Ept?

After a recent ramble through a few pages of the dictionary, we've decided that English is a most peculiar language. We got into the words starting with "in" and then turned to the "un" section. About the only logical conclusion we could draw from the excursion is that engineers, in addition to their professional qualifications, should always be couth, kempt, ept and ebriated.

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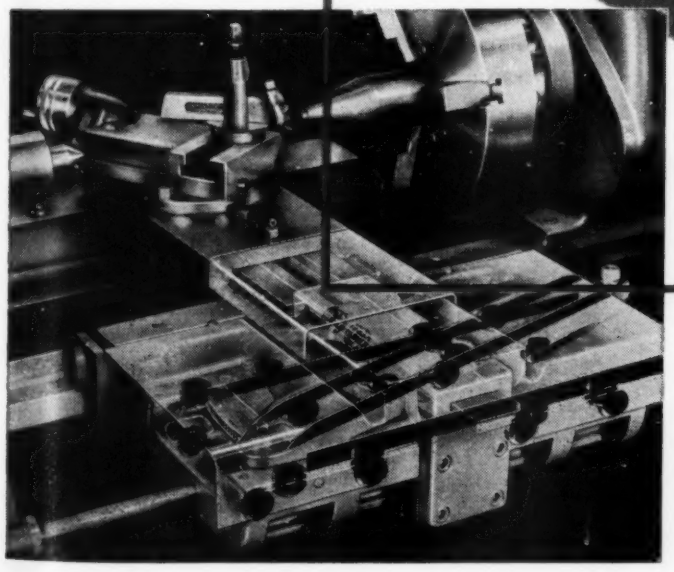

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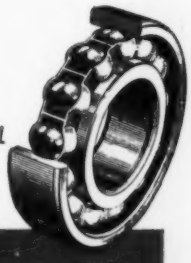

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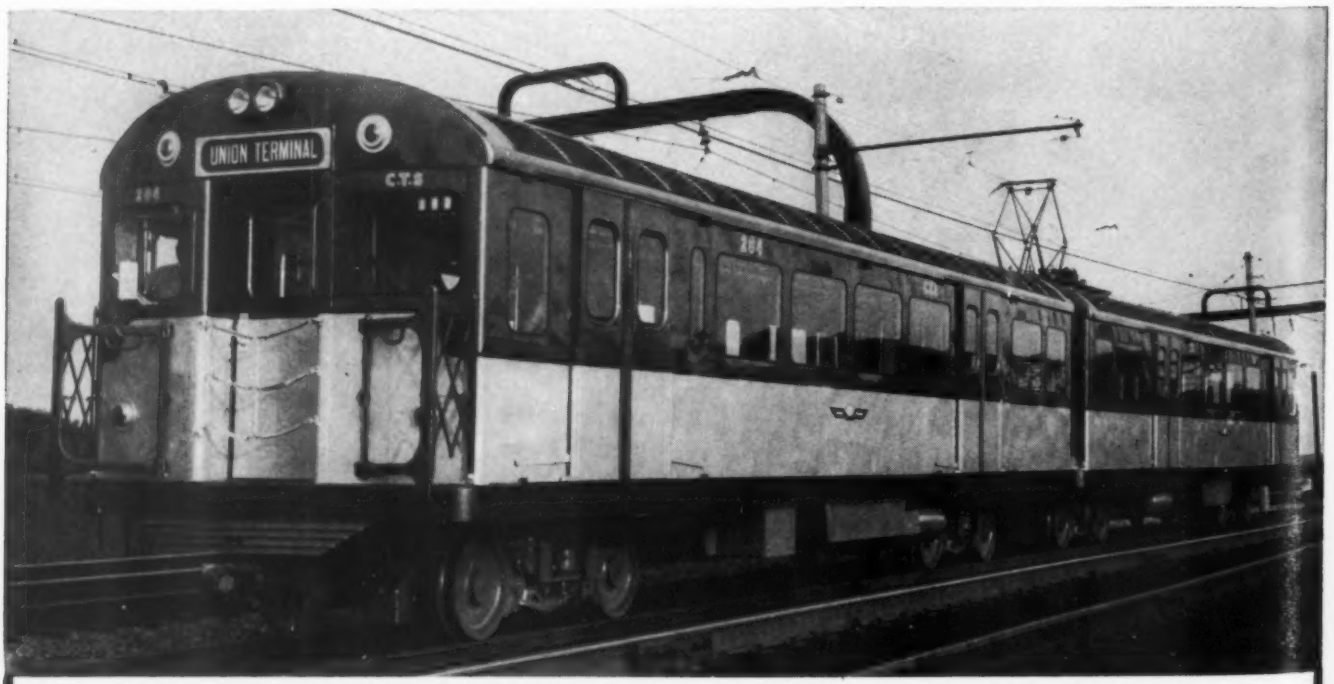
According to Trytten, Russian children enter kindergarten at the age of three. Reading is taught so that they are able to read upon entering elementary school.

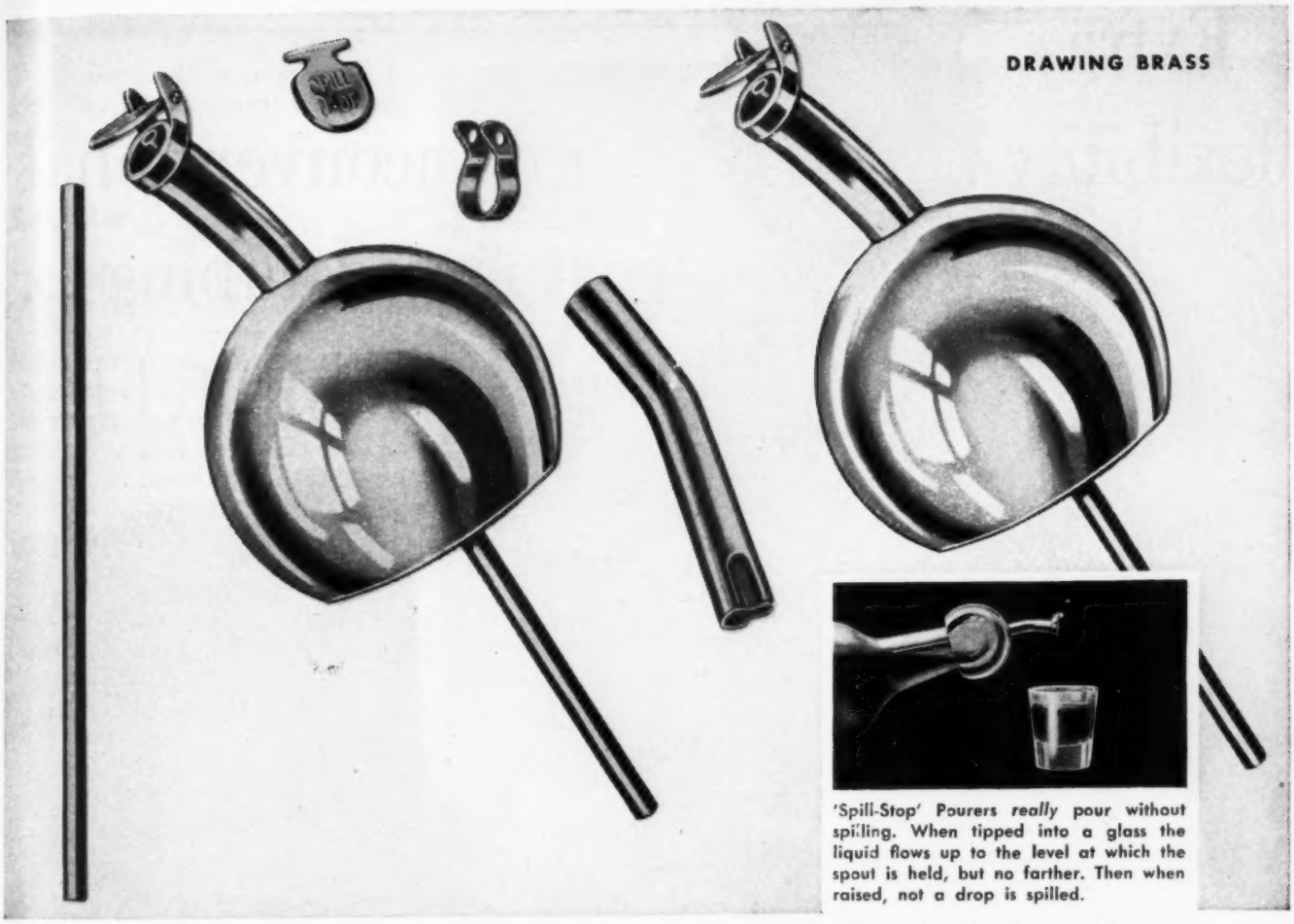
Elementary schooling is of 7 years' duration. About 32 per cent of the curriculum is devoted to technical subjects. These subjects include arithmetic, algebra, geometry, physics and the elements of chemistry.

After elementary school, the student may enter a secondary school or a technical school. In the secondary school there are no electives. About 40 per cent of the curriculum is devoted to science and mathematics. Technical schools train technicians with subprofessional status in three and four-year courses of study. Enrollment in these schools was reported to be over 4½ million in 1953-1954. Of the 760,000 graduates, 50,000 were subprofessional engineers.

About 900 institutions of higher learning exist in Russia. More than 50,000 engineers were graduated in 1952, according to the report. In the United States in 1954, only



RAPID TRANSIT for Clevelanders will become a reality when these new blue and silver trains begin operation in early 1955. Said to be the last word in transportation, the cars are being built by the St. Louis Car Co. for the Cleveland Transit System. Each car, powered by four 55-hp motors, is rated at a top speed of 47 mph. One-knob (control handle) control automatically controls power feed in 135 steps as well as dynamic and air braking. Car bodies are aluminum reinforced with corrosion-resistant Cor-ten steel. Wide picture windows are purposely permanently sealed! Ventilation and heating are provided by an electronic system designed by Minneapolis-Honeywell



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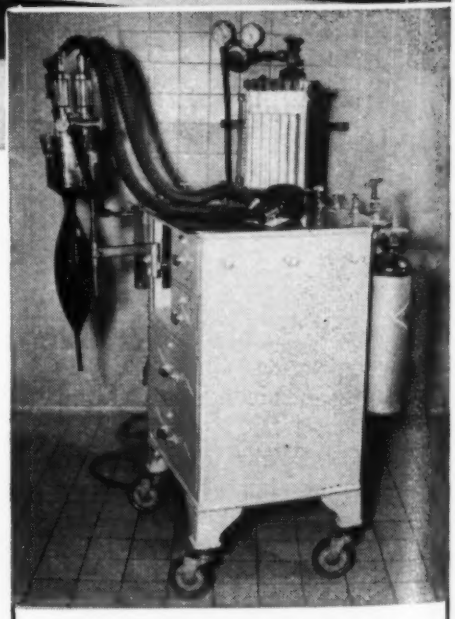

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19,000 engineers were graduated, according to previously published reports.

Correction . . .

Gremlins got into our big box of type last month and came up with something that really made our faces red! The die-casting machine photo on this page appeared last month, but with a caption describing something else. We're running it again, this time with the right caption. Look on Page 16 for the photo that was supposed to appear with the caption we printed last month.

Midget Monitor To Guard Engines

Demonstrating miniature design possibilities using transistors, a recently developed compact monitor system will watch for hot bearings in Naval engines. Designed by Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co. for the U.S. Navy, the system uses transitors to replace vacuum tubes.

By using transistors instead of vacuum tubes, the unit is reduced to one-third the size. Power consumption of the transistorized system is reported to be about one-tenth that of a comparable vacuum tube unit. Weight has also been reduced to about one-tenth.

Thermistors are being used as temperature - sensing elements. They are imbedded in bearings at 40 key points in the engine. By substituting thermistors for thermocouples as sensing elements, much auxiliary equipment was eliminated.

Monitoring of these key points is on a 24-hour basis. Conventional systems scan these points only intermittently. With the new system, a hot bearing causes an alarm to be sounded, and an indicator gives the operator a temperature reading. Thus, faults occurring during operation will be detected before the engine is severely damaged.

Unusual strain put on marine engines during battle conditions necessitated the development of the new monitor system. It is said to be applicable to most surface and undersea craft.

GIANT DIE CASTING MACHINE, capable of turning out aluminum die castings weighing up to 75 pounds was recently unveiled by Doehler-Jarvis Div. of National Lead Co. in Toledo. Called a "72-inch machine" (distance between centers of four large bars which are the essential framework of a die casting machine) it will handle dies weighing up to 50 tons. It has a maximum die opening of 36 inches and an injection pressure of metal of 6,200 psi

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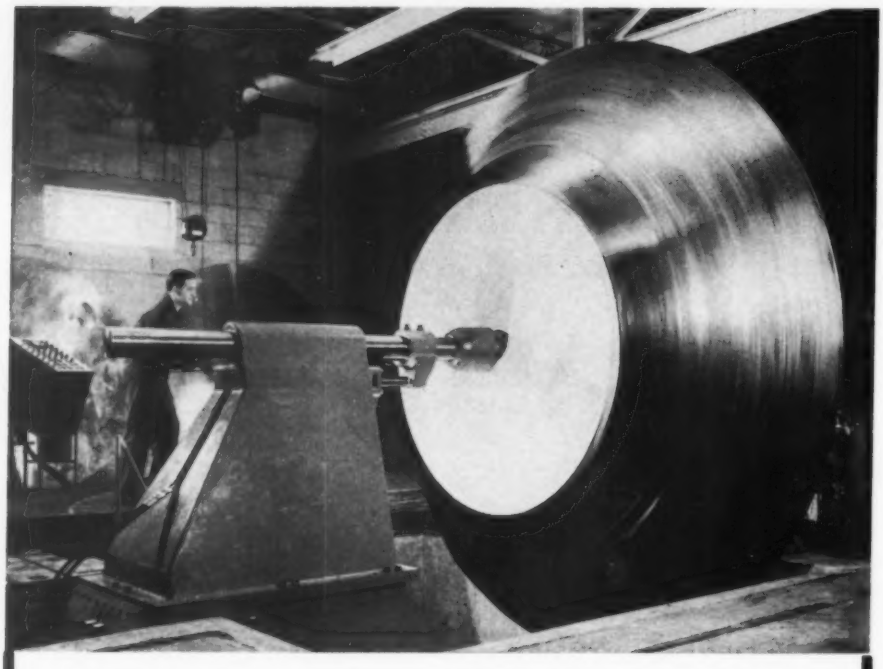
New Order Index of industrial supplies and machinery rose sharply in August after hitting a low for the year the previous month. The American Supply and Machinery Manufacturers' Association reports the new order index for August at 132.5. The July figure was 119.4.

The index measures the flow of orders received by Association members, who are manufacturers of production, operating and maintenance supplies selling to industry through industrial supply distributors. The value of orders received during August was more than 10 per cent above July and almost 33 per cent above the base month of July, 1948.



GIANT SPINNING LATHE spins a 14-foot dome for air-conditioning equipment. Said to be the worlds largest, it can spin shapes up to 180 inches. Hydraulically controlled, it was built by Pheonix Products Co. of Milwaukee and is powered with a 50-hp motor. Speed, clutches, brakes, and all movements of the tail stock are controlled from a portable control panel. Aluminum up to ¾-inch thick may be spun to a depth of 72 inches

Electronic Brain Takes Over Routine Design Work

Answers to preliminary designs of transformers are turned out in a hurry by a new computer. Reported to free engineers from much routine work, this calculator is being used by General Electric at their Pittsfield plant.

Alternative design data is fed into this IBM machine by punched cards. In less than an hour, GE reports, the machine comes up with preliminary answers, saving up to 40 hours of manual calculation. Preliminary designs are used as a basis for specifications to answer inquiries from prospective purchasers.

Core and coil-design problems, and hot-spot temperature problems, are among the calculations turned out. Because of high operating speed, designers are able to handle a greater number of designs. Education of engineers is also expected to be speeded up as a result.

Saving engineers from routine work will allow them more time for developmental work. Company officials regard this saving as important because of the shortage of engineers.

In the future, the calculator is expected to turn out answers to complex requisition designs. These designs are used by draftsmen in preparing final requisition drawings. Here, a time saving of weeks is expected to be realized.

New research building costing $100,000 is to be built by Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp. in San Diego. To be used for electronic computing, the two-story building will be filled with the latest IBM machines and will have air-conditioning and soundproof walls and ceilings.

Previews

Don't Blow a Gasket

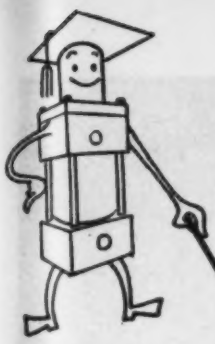
There's an art to applying gaskets —both in selecting the right material and in design of an adequate joint. But if you don't want to blow a gasket over gaskets, we'd suggest reading the article on Page 157. Besides giving a very clear idea of the requirements a gasket must meet, the article contains a lot of very helpful information on nonmetallic materials and joint design.

Ideas for the Asking

Creative ability can be developed: the spark of inventive genius isn't restricted to a few favored individuals. But creativeness requires exercise and cultivation of a "method," just like any other talent. E. G. Reed, on Page 142, has a fistfull of very pertinent ideas. The article is unusual and, we feel, worthwhile for any designer.

Overweight?

Use of high-strength steel (or other high-strength material, for that matter) is an effective way of reducing weight. One of the important first steps is to get accurate strength data. A simple statistical method is outlined on Page 208. While the article won't make you an accomplished statistician, it does give a practical approach to the problem.



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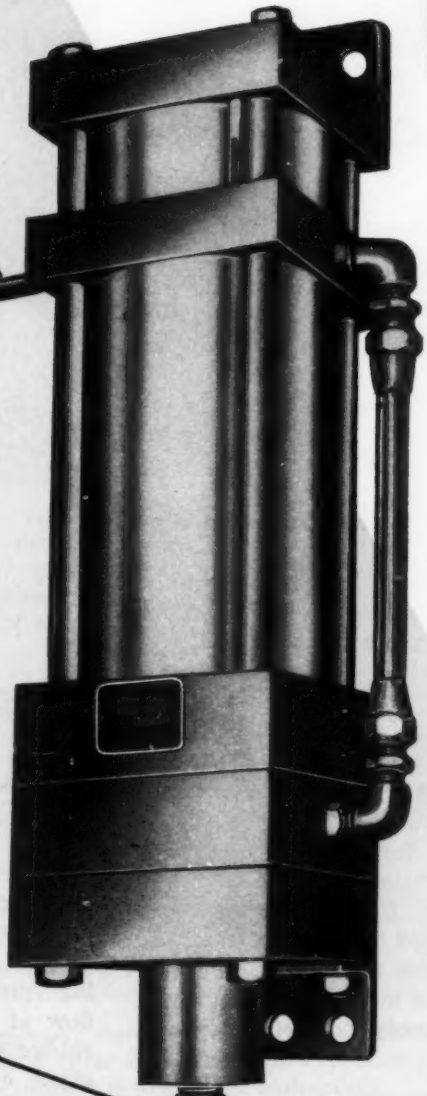

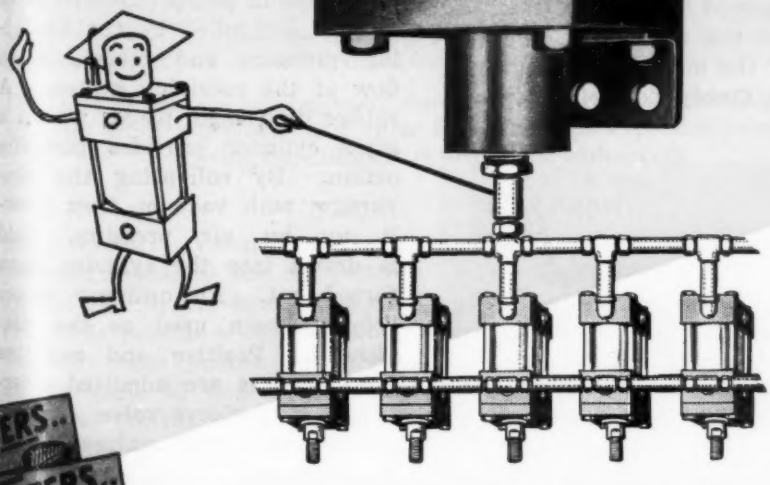

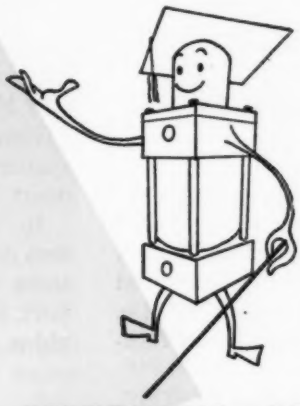

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Design Requirements Tops for Medical Equipment

Some recent developments in the medical equipment field emphasize the tight requirements that must be met by design engineers.

Dependability is of the utmost importance. Simplicity of design with few moving parts results in dependable operation as well as minimizing down-time due to maintenance.

Compactness is necessary since operating-room space is at a premium in most cases.

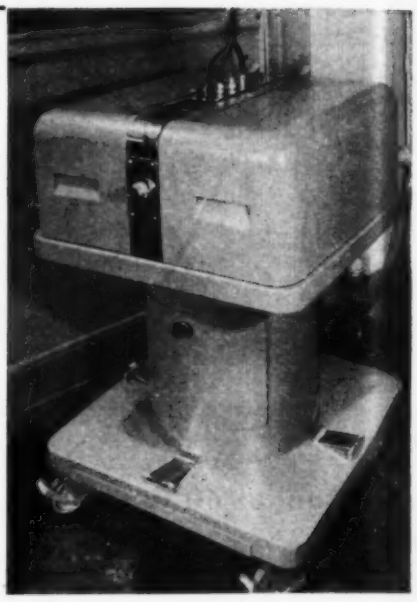
Sterilization of parts must be possible where necessary. Units must be easy to disassemble and materials must withstand high temperatures.

Ease of operation by nontechnical people is a must. An engineer should not be a necessary part of operating-room personnel.

Explosionproof equipment is required in operating rooms because of presence of explosive anesthetic gases.

Patient comfort should be considered.

Co-operation between engineers and doctors has resulted in these recent advances in medical equipment:

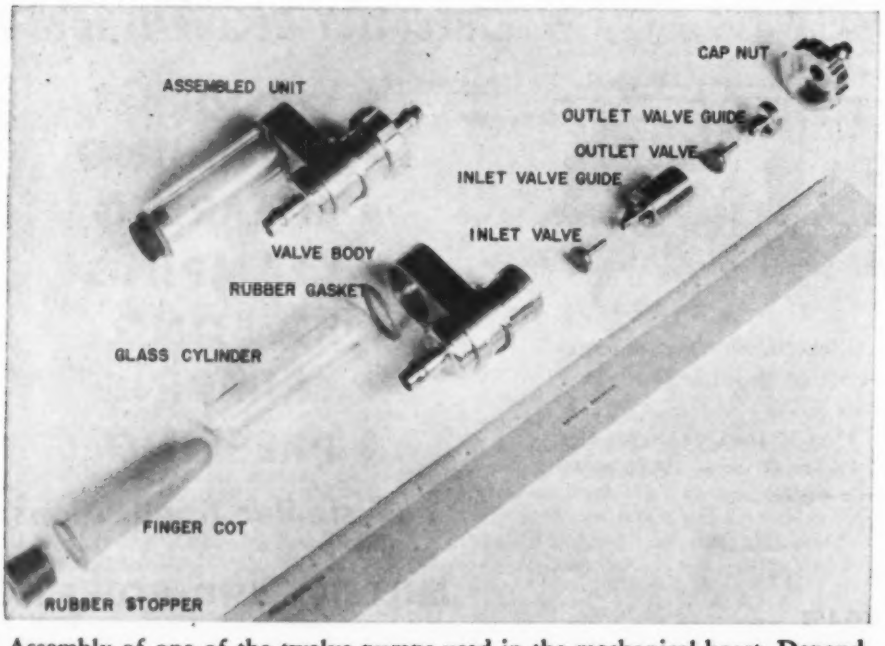


Power unit supplies vacuum, air pressure and electricity to the heart pump. It may be located outside the operating room and is connected to the pump by cables and tubing

Mechanical Heart

A new pump, designed as a substitute for a human heart, takes over the heart's functions during delicate operations. Developed through the joint efforts of Dr. F. D. Dodrill of Detroit and General Motors Research Laboratories Division, the unit is already responsible for many successful heart operations.

In effect, the mechanical heart was designed to simulate the functions of the natural heart. One part of the mechanical heart provides a steady flow of blood and the other provides the pulsations. It may be substituted for either the right side, left side, or the entire heart if necessary. Each side of the pump includes a reservoir and six separate pumps.

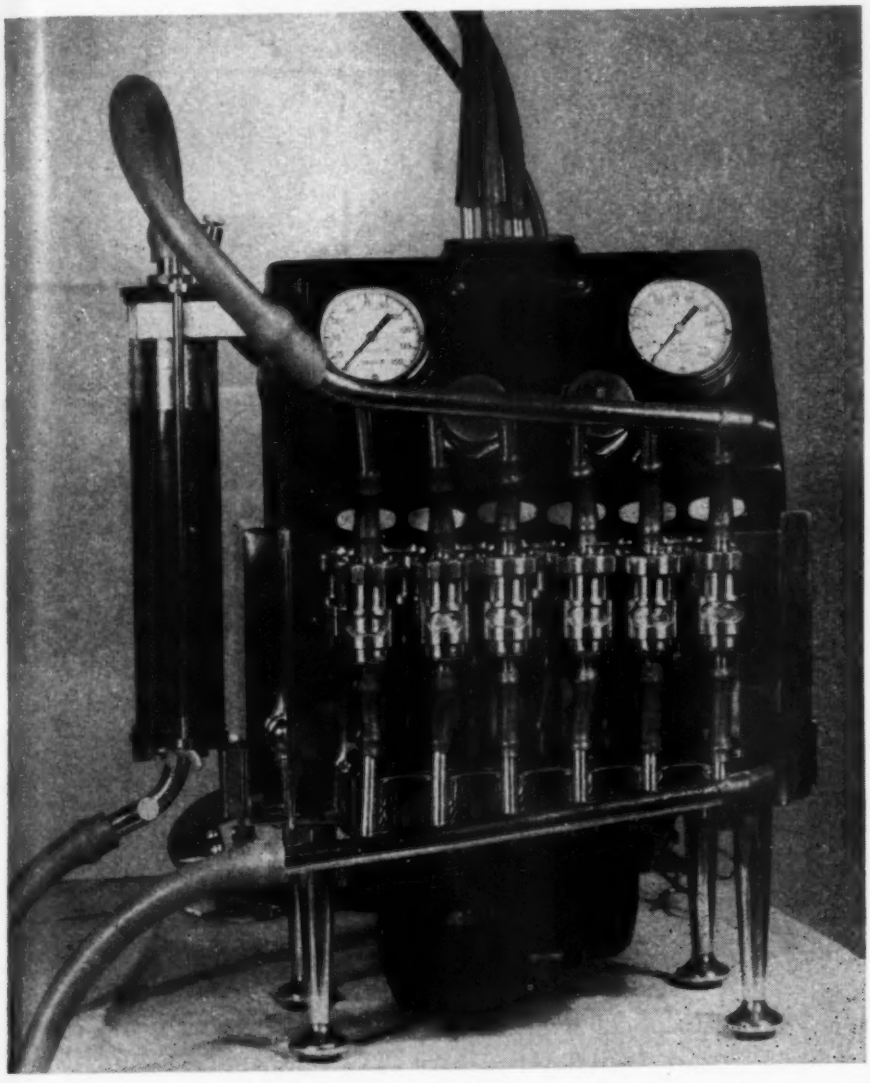


Assembly of one of the twelve pumps used in the mechanical heart. Dependability is achieved by simple design with the least number of moving parts

General Motors research engineers chose a variable-displacement type of pump. Discharge of fluid is controlled by the actuating pressure and resistance to flow of the receiving system. A rubber diaphragm placed within a glass cylinder provides pumping action. By collapsing the diaphragm with vacuum, then blowit up by air pressure, fluid is drawn into the cylinder, then forced out. An ordinary finger cot has been used as the diaphragm. Positive and negative air pressures are admitted alternately by a sleeve valve.

Inlet and outlet valves of the pump provide unidirectional flow. One of the important considerations was to design the valves to close gently so as not to crush the red cells. One layer of cells remains between the valve and its valve seat.

Six individual pumps operate in parallel on each side of the pump. Positive and negative air pressures are valved to all of the pumps by means of a common camshaft driven by an explosion-



One side of the mechanical heart showing six of the pumps. Vacuum and air lines from the power unit enter from the top. Explosion-proof motor driving the camshaft is suspended underneath

proof motor. Vacuum and air pressure cycled to the six pumps on one side of the machine is arranged to provide a constant flow. One of these pumps discharges during each 60 degrees of cam rotation. On the other side, all of the six pumps are cycled to discharge within 60 degrees of camshaft rotation. Thus, pulsating pressure is supplied to the system. Body capacity of the patient determines the number of units to be used. A step pulley arrangement of the drive permits a choice of camshaft speeds. Separate air and vacuum controls for each side add to the flexibility of the system. Pumping capacity of the machine is reported to be over 5 liters per minute.

Stainless steel has been used wherever possible to reduce wear and breakage and to avoid blood contamination. Finger cots are made of surgical latex rubber and all transparent parts are of Pyrex glass. Sterilization by means of an autoclave, reported to be the most effective sterilization method, may be used because of the heat-resistant qualities of these materials.

All of the surfaces coming in contact with the blood are treated with a silicone compound, making them unwettable. This treatment is believed to help avoid blood clotting within the pump.

Blood flow rate and removal of any air bubbles entering the system are all accomplished in a weir-type flow meter arrangement. Level of blood discharging through a calibrated vertical slot is a function of the flow rate. An air-bleed valve controls the amount of air trapped in the meter while a built-in filter serves to remove unwanted particles in the system.

Power for the machine, as well as air and vacuum, comes from a separate unit. Ordinarily located outside the operating room, the power unit is connected to the heart pump by rubber hoses and an electrical cable. Two air pumps supply pressure and vacuum. Only electric power need be supplied to the machine, thus making it usable wherever electric power can be obtained. While the power unit is relatively large, the heart pump itself measures about 9 by 12 by 14 inches high.

General Motors engineers report that development work is still continuing on the pump. Even though successful, the machine is still considered experimental.

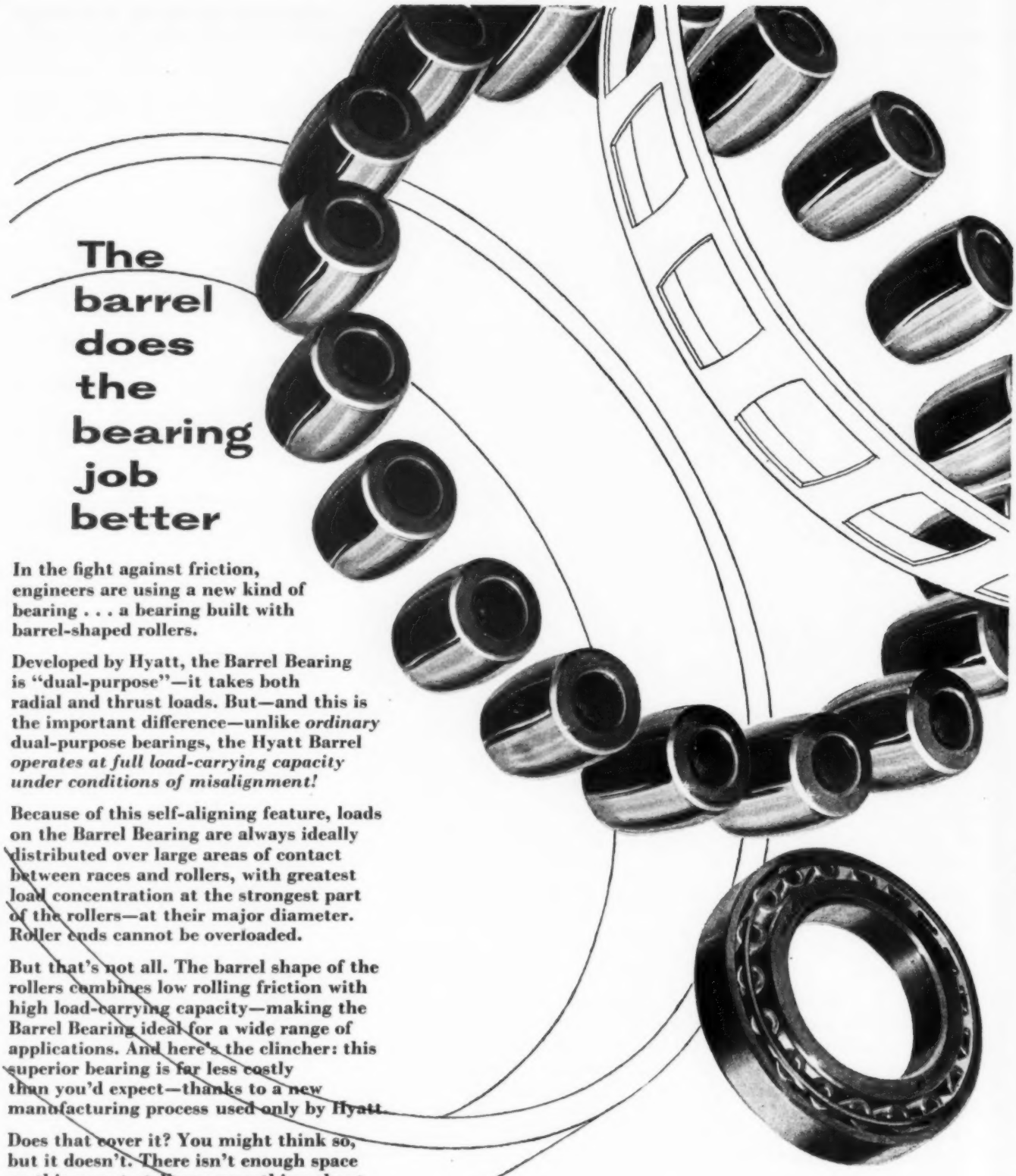
NBS Physiological Monitor

Combining a series of electronic instruments into an integrated group has resulted in a new useful aid to the surgeon. Recently developed by the National Bureau of Standards, the instrument displays a continuous indication on a group of meters of a patient's condition during surgery.

Data on blood pressure, pulse rate, pulse irregularity, breathing rate and amount of air breathed out per minute are available at a glance. No particular technical skill is required on the part of the operator.

All of the electronic assemblies are of the "plug-in" type and are easily replaceable. Safeguards are provided to permit the instrument's use in highly combustible mixtures of anesthetic gases usually present in the operating room.

Two units comprise the system. One is the operating room console consisting of the display of meters. This unit also contains the controls necessary to put the instru-



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Does that cover it? You might think so, but it doesn't. There isn't enough space on this page to tell you everything about this new bearing. For full information, write to the address below.

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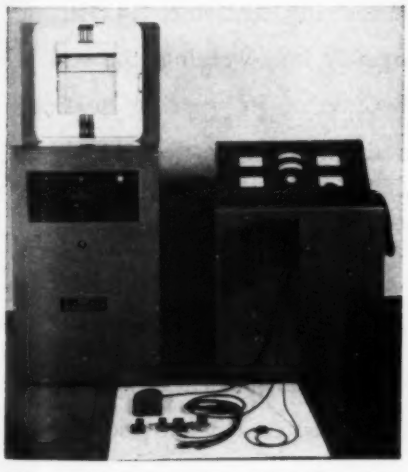
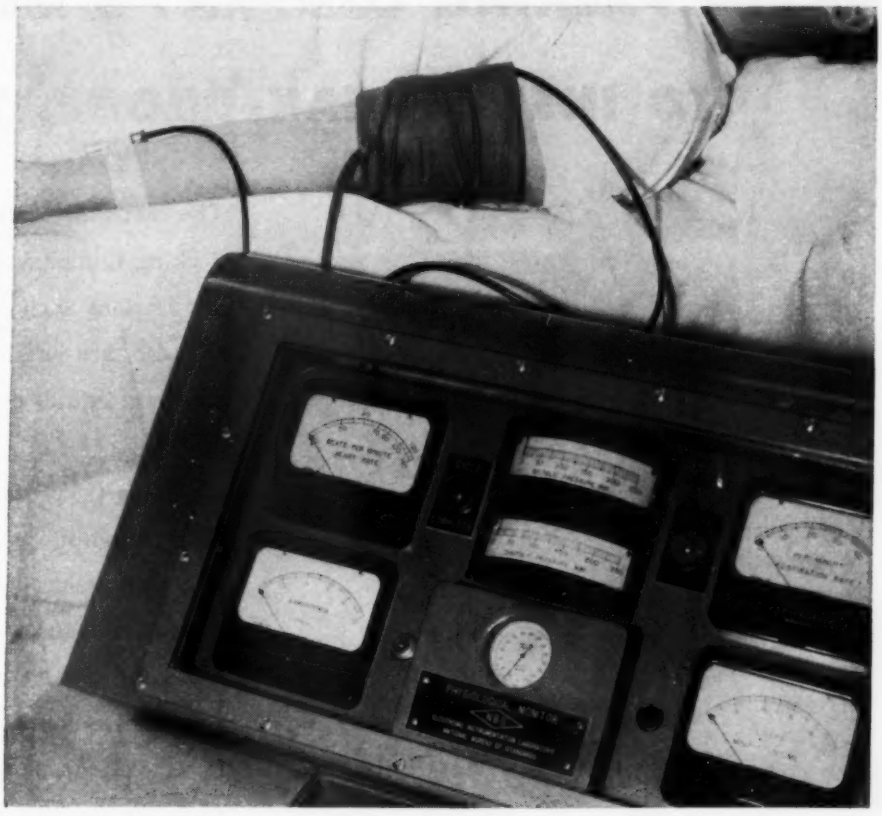
ment into operation.

The other unit, a recorder console, is designed to be placed outside the operating room. It provides a permanent chart record of measurements indicated on the operating room console. An air supply provides air pressure for blood-pressure measurements and for pressurizing the operating room unit to keep it free of explosive vapors. A combination air hose and electric line connects the two units.

Blood-pressure measurements are under the control of a program switch in conjunction with a series of relays and air valves. Every three minutes the valve of an air supply opens and inflates the band around the patient's arm. A microphone, located over the brachial artery, detects the pulse sound. Systolic pressure, associated with the heart's contraction, and diastolic pressure, associated with the heart's expansion, are determined by certain characteristic pulse sounds. By means of amplifiers and relays, the pulses picked up by the microphone actuate two solenoid valves in the air system. These valves are opened to connect the system to the proper pressure indicating gages at the diastolic and systolic points. "Coincidence" circuits reject all pulses that do not coincide with the necessary pressure pulses.



Two units comprise the NBS physiological monitor. Recorder console, left, remains outside the operating room and contains the electronic equipment as well as supplying air pressure to the operating room console at the right



Instrument panel of the NBS physiological monitor. All of the important body functions can be determined by a glance at the meters. Air pressure within the unit is maintained at about ½-lb to keep out explosive gases. From the meter indications, it appears that this patient, obviously, is dead

Pulse rate is taken as a function of the minute voltage changes produced in the body that occur with each heart beat. Time between these adjacent electrical pulses is continuously measured and converted to rate on a calibrated meter. Thus, instantaneous heart rate is measured rather than average rate.

Cardiac irregularity, that is, changes in rate and irregular heart beats, is monitored as a function of an electrical charge on a "memory" capacitor. During time intervals between beats, enough current is supplied the capacitor to keep its charge at a predetermined level. Should there be considerable discrepancy between beats, the level of the electrical charge will change. The resulting current flow is translated into a meter reading.

Respiration-measuring equipment consists of a positive-displacement flowmeter. Rotation of the flowmeter output shaft is proportional to the volume of patient's breath that has passed through the meter. Volume of flow per minute is determined by using a synchrogenerator and a synchromotor. An automatic clutch couples the flowmeter shaft to the sychrogenerator for intervals of 60 seconds. At the end of this time, motor picks up the angular position of the generator and translates that position into a voltage suitable for meter indication. The generator returns to its starting point after each measurement interval.

Size and weight have been held to a minimum. Floor space occupied by the operating room console is only 22 by 26 inches.

Continuous measurements have been made on patients for periods as long as 21 hours. NBS reports that patients can eat, sleep and carry on other activities of bed patients. Accuracy of the machine is reported to compare favorably with the usual methods of measurement.

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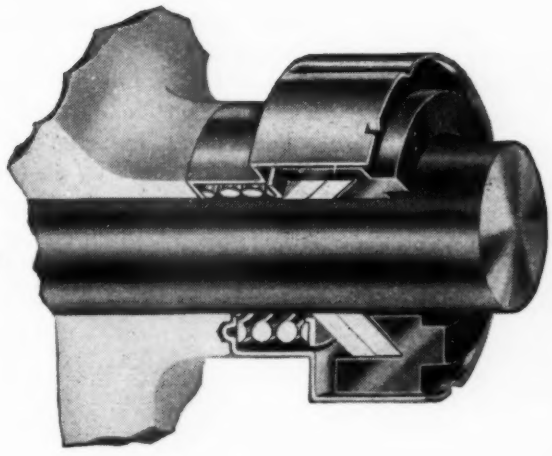

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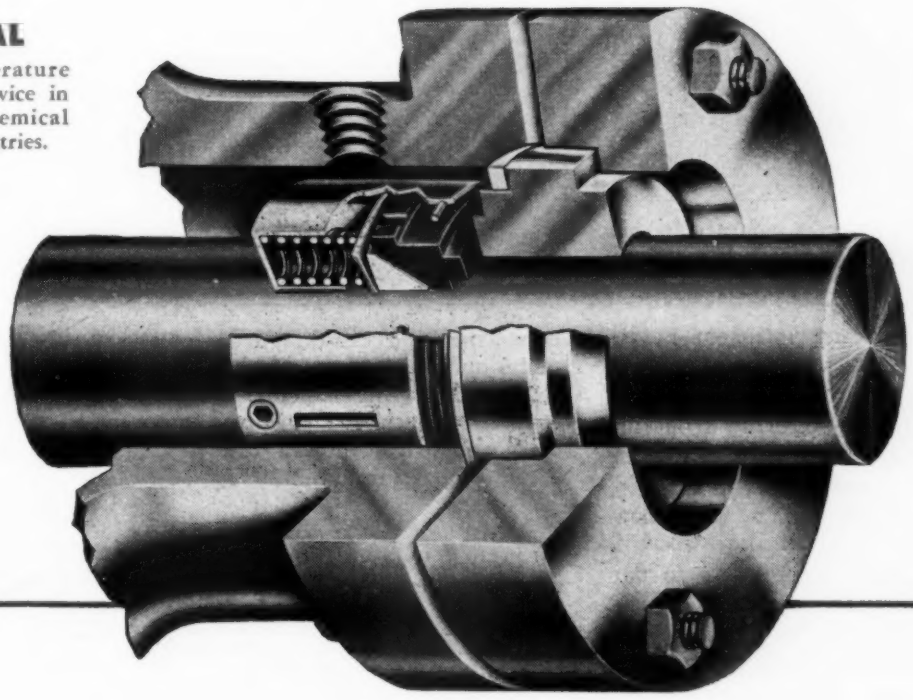

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Food Pump

Another co-operative venture between medicine and engineering has resulted in a food pump for feeding and maintaining post-surgical patients and ulcer sufferers.

Conceived by Dr. James Barron of Detroit, the pump was engineered and built for him by the Engineering Div. of Chrysler Corp. One of the problems facing surgeons, according to Dr. Barron, is

Entire food pump is mounted in this small plastic case for easy handling

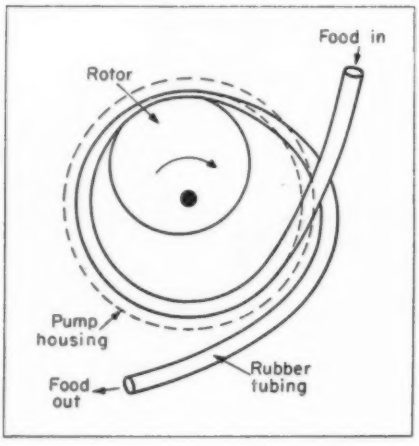
that of providing sufficient nutrition and high-calorie food to patients who cannot eat after surgery. Patients suffering from ulcers, patients in a coma or even those who aren't hungry for any reason can be fed by this new method.

Secret of the method is to put a tube down the patient's throat, through his stomach, and pump liquefied food directly into the digestive tract. Although much experimenting was done previous to the development of the Chrysler pump, difficulty was experienced with clogging of tubes and discomfort due to poor control of feeding rate.

Mechanical and design problems involved were licked with the development of a small, rugged, very slow speed pump that operates without touching the food. A specially-designed pear-shaped low-horsepower electric motor powers the pump. Driven through a set of built-in reduction gears, the pump operates at a normal speed of 4½ rpm. The motor measures 3½ inches wide by 3½ inches long.

Feeding rate can be varied to fit the needs of the patient. It can be operated so as to take as long as 10 hours to feed a quart of liquefied food.

Heart of the pump is a replaceable rubber tube mounted in the circular pump housing. Pumping action is produced by an eccentrically mounted rotor that successively compresses the tube as it rotates. The ground-up food is fed into the pump by gravity, squeezed



How the Chrysler-designed food pump operates without touching the food is shown. Eccentric rotor squeezes the tube against the side of the pump case, forcing the food through

through it by means of the eccentric rotor then piped into the patient. By making the rubber tubing removable, sterilization problems are greatly simplified.

The system is said to have been proven successful with about 400 patients. Some of these were fed by the new pump for periods up to 79 days.

Harold F. Marsh has been elected president of General Mfg. Co. F. C. Hossies, founder, and designer of Flexible power presses, was elected secretary.

Mechanisms Conference Again Pronounced Success

Over 250 engineers from all parts of the United States attended the Second Mechanisms Conference at Purdue University on October 11 and 12. Cosponsored by Purdue University, MACHINE DESIGN and *Automation*, the conference featured 8 papers dealing with important phases of mechanism design.

The Conference was held to promote better understanding, design and application of mechanisms. Four major sessions covered special gearing, mechanism performance analysis, cam design problems and control mechanisms. In addition to papers presented by top authorities on these subjects, two panel group discussions rounded out the program. Here, there was an exchange of ideas on mechanism synthesis and manufacturing tolerances.

Proceedings of the Conference will be published in the December issue of MACHINE DESIGN. Individual copies will be made available.

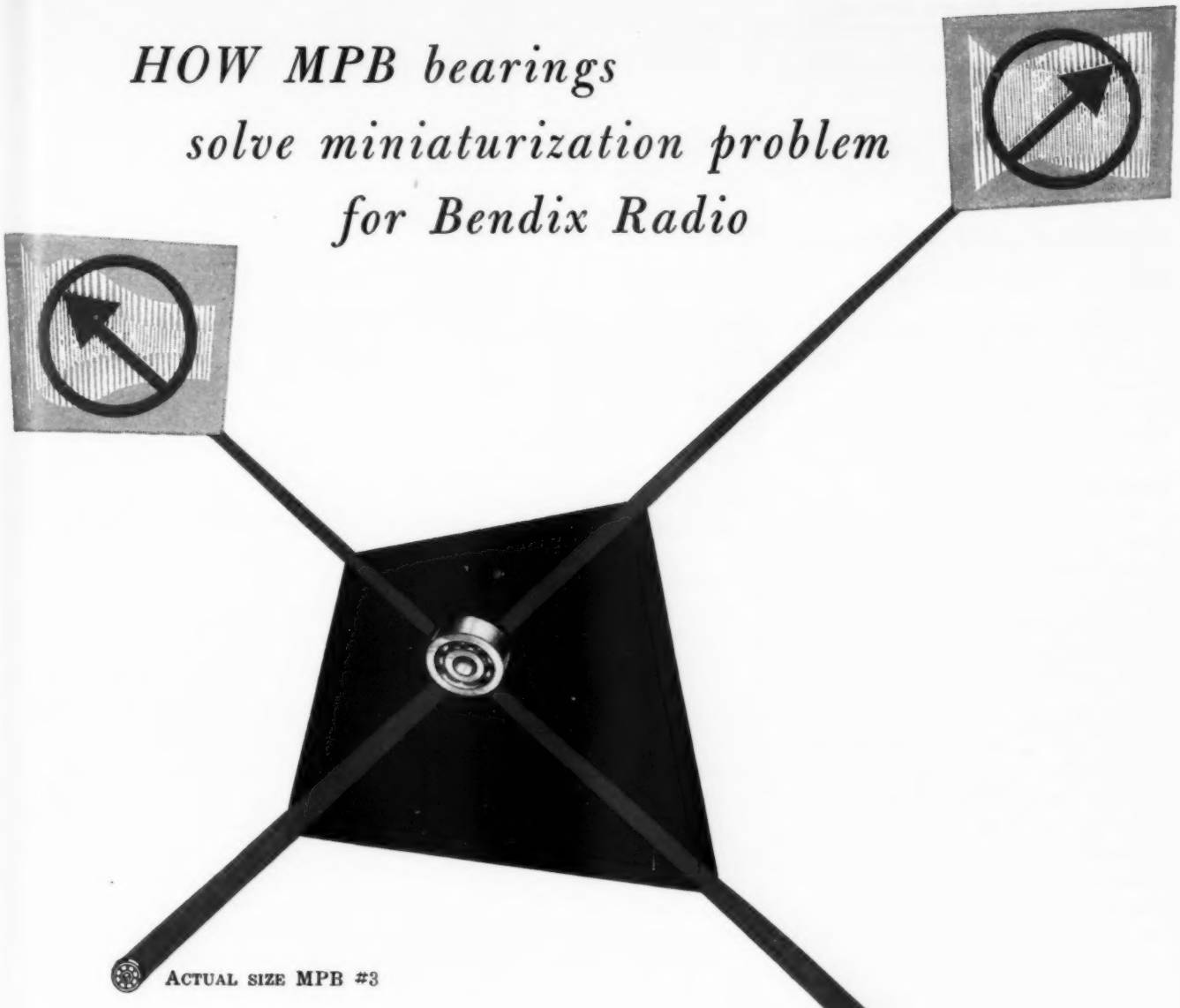
Tubing Drawn Six-Shooter Style

New 85-foot cold draw bench now in operation at the Huntington Works of International Nickel Inc. uses a magazine loading device. Six mandrels in sets of three are placed one above the other in a revolving cylinder. While the tubing is being drawn in the lower part of the cylinder, the upper three are loaded in preparation for the next draw. At the end of the drawing operation, while the "mule" is being returned to the starting position, the cylinder revolves and brings the three mandrels with tubes on them into position before the dies.

Present length limits of Inconel tubes and rods are extended with the operation of the new facility. Rods up to 85 feet in length may be drawn.

Associated with the new draw bench is a 220-foot-long annealing

HOW MPB bearings solve miniaturization problem for Bendix Radio



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To quote Mr. John F. Wroten, Jr., mechanical engineer with Bendix Radio Division, these are some of the reasons why MPB bearings were selected in the miniaturization of their frequency selector switch: "The low friction rotation of the bearing practically eliminates drag in the indexing action, and reduces to a minimum the amount of power required for disengagement. Also, the bearing displays unusually high resistance to the frequent impact loads a detent stop of this kind must withstand . . . . Because rolling contact occurs between the pawl and the plate, the plate can be made of soft stainless steel."

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Salary Survey Points Up Industry-Wide Similarities

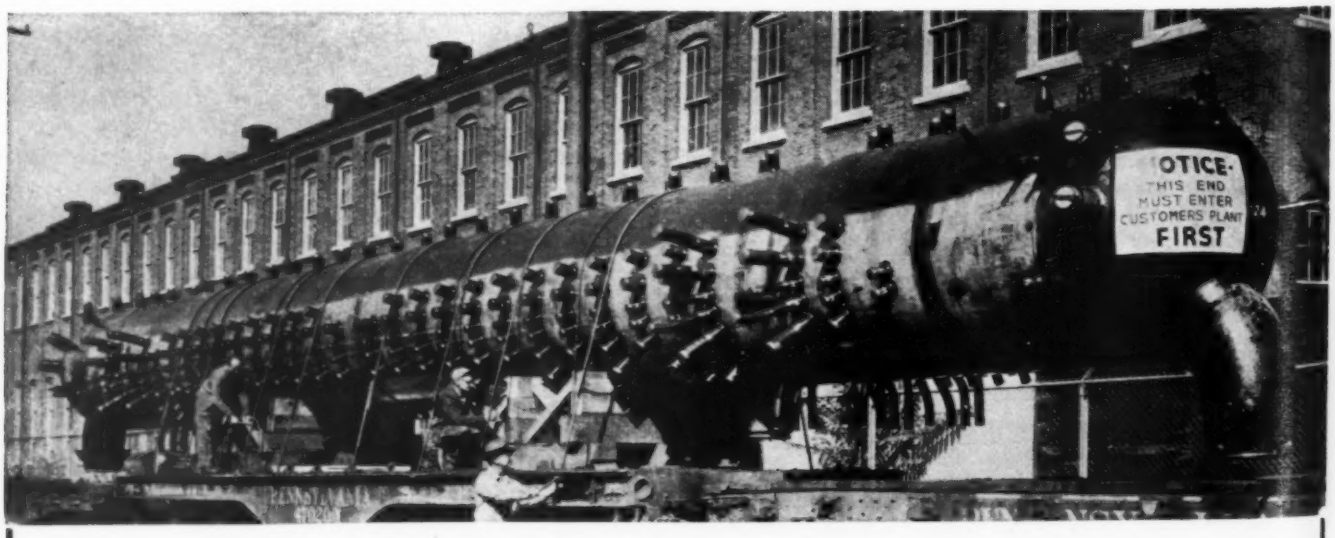
Type of industry, location or size of companies seem to make no difference in salary levels of technical and administrative employees. These are results of a recent survey made by the American Management Association.

Thirty-two companies in 16 industries covered in the survey were located both in urban and rural areas. Annual sales of the surveyed companies ranged from less than $5 million to more than $500 million and number of employees ranged from less than 1000 to over 30,000.

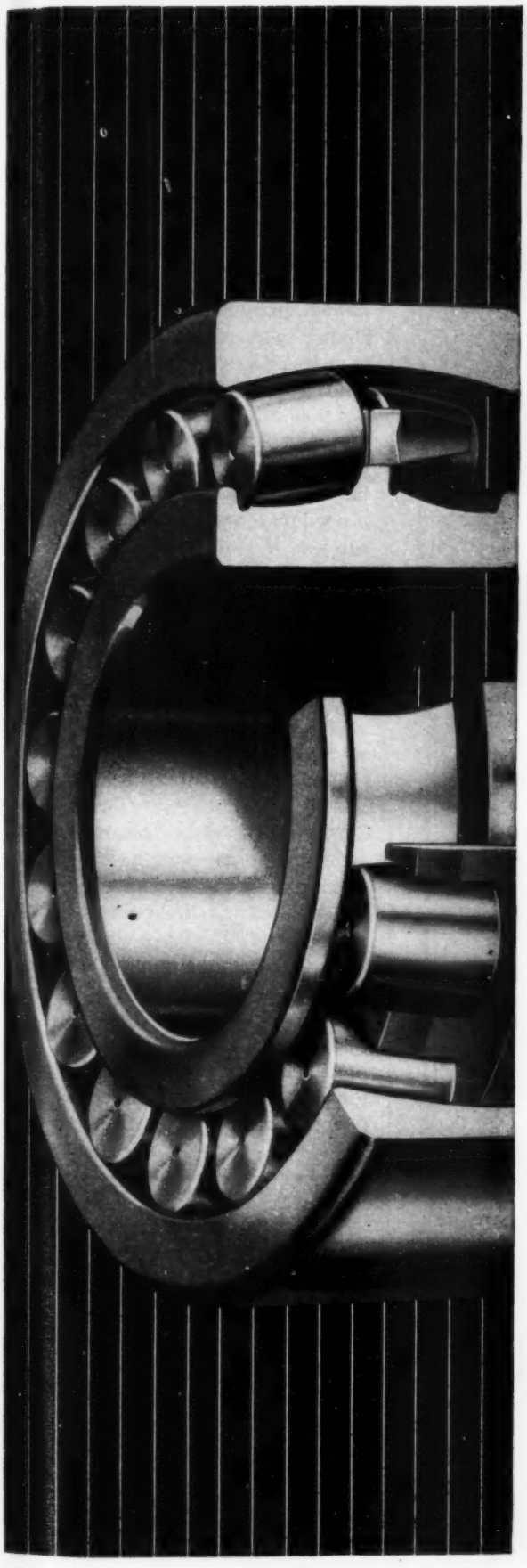
Average variation between the lowest and highest salaries paid for the 20 positions studied was only 54 per cent. This variation was not much greater than variations found in salary ranges in individual companies for a given position. It was found, for example, that the highest rate paid for a junior engineer is only 26 per cent above the lowest paid rate.

Generally, AMA reports, technical personnel are given the same treatment as middle management in matters of salary administration. Policies on overtime and general salary increases are similar for most employees exempt from compulsory overtime penalty pay

MOST POWERFUL CAT is also said to be the largest crawler tractor in the world. Labelled the D9X by the Caterpillar Tractor Co., the machine is 18 feet long, 12 feet wide and 10 feet high. Bare weight is 51,500 pounds; bulldozer blade and cable control add another 11,000 pounds. In addition to tests at company proving grounds, several of the giants are assigned to actual on-the-job testing on the Ohio Turnpike construction



GIANT BAG PIPES? No, these three railroad flat cars are carrying a 193-ton steam drum. Fabricated by Babcock and Wilcox Co., the drum is to become part of the largest single boiler ever to be built, according to company officials. To be 15 stories high, the huge boiler will supply steam to two Detroit Edison turbine generators at a pressure of 2000 psi at a maximum rate of nearly 1¾ million pounds per hour. The welded drum is 82 feet long with 6-inch thick walls



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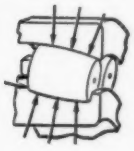

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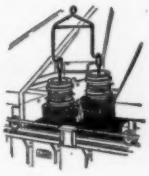

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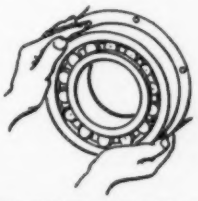

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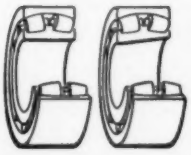

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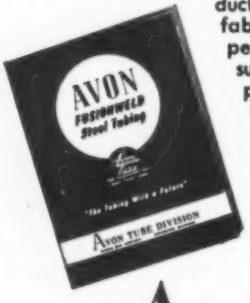

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provisions. It was found that 21 per cent of 600 companies surveyed paid exempt personnel additional compensation for overtime work. One-third of these companies do not extend overtime compensation beyond the $7000-a-year pay level.

General salary increases are extended to exempt employees by 35 per cent of the companies surveyed, AMA says. Many do not extend general increases above the $10,000 a year salary level. Forty per cent have formal salary programs for exempt technical employees. Most use job evaluation procedures and established salary ranges.

Camera Stays Up All Night to Read Meters

Unique way of taking data to save engineers a few sleepless nights was demonstrated recently by the Wright Air Development Center's Materials Laboratory.

Creep-rupture testing of metals requires reading of time, temperature and stress indicators on a 24 hour-a-day, 7 day-a-week basis. To avoid using engineers for this routine task, a converted movie camera has been adapted to do this job.

Aimed at the dials and gages, the movie camera is timed to take one photograph at a time at pre-

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determined intervals. A time switch turns on the lights, trips the shutter and advances the film one frame for the next photograph. Thus, all of the data is continuously recorded by the camera.

In addition to providing errorless recording of data, the device is said to cut by 75 per cent the number of man-hours required for a creep-rupture test.

Human Weaknesses Cause Business Failures

According to a recent "failure study" made by Dun and Bradstreet, most business concerns failing in 1953 had been in business 5 years or less. Underlying causes of these business failures were found to be human weaknesses.

Incompetence or lack of managerial ability took the highest toll in all classes. Manufacturers were hit hardest in this score. Failures of most businesses were due to lack of well-rounded experience in sales, finance, purchasing and production in the part of the management unit. However, these factors are not as important in manufacturing industries. These human failings comprise 89.4 per cent of the total failure causes for all classes surveyed.

Failure Rates in Manufacturing, 1953

Line of Industry	Rate Per 10,000 Concerns
Furniture	186
Leather and shoes	175
Apparel	129
Transportation equipment	118
Electrical machinery	98
Chemicals and drugs	82
Textiles	79
Food	71
Paper	69
Metals, primary and fabricated	68
Machinery	53
Stone, clay and glass	42
Printing and publishing	16
Lumber	13

Highest apparent cause of manufacturers' troubles was inadequate sales, followed by competitive weakness and excessive fixed assets. Receivable difficulties was also listed as a major apparent cause of failures. Such things as fraud, disaster and poor location were inconsequential

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among reasons for not making the grade.

Average liabilities per failure in 1953 for manufacturing concerns was $85,543. Average of all the concerns surveyed was $44,477.

Breakup of 1953 failures into nine areas of the United States showed wide variations. Most failures occurred in the Pacific area with a failure rate of 86.9 per 10,000 concerns. California led the parade with 108.9 concerns per 10,000 going out of business. Lowest was the West North Central area with 10.4 failures per 10,000 including South Dakota with a low of 2.3. Failures by area stacked up in the following order: Pacific was highest, followed by Middle Atlantic, New England, Mountain, South Atlantic, East North Central, East South Central, West South Central and West North Central.

Dun and Bradstreet report that on every business day in 1953, an average of 29 businesses went under.

Research Center Studies Accidents

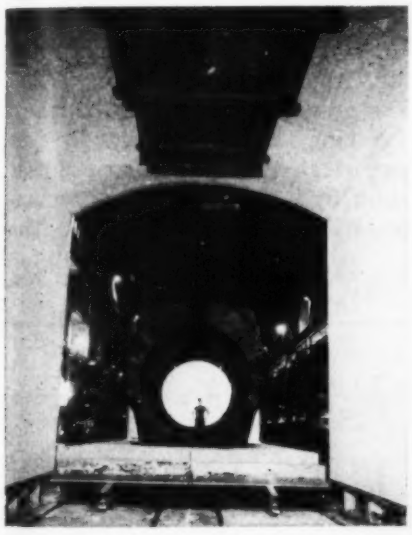
Accident prevention in the industrial field is being studied in a new research center, according to Arthur D. Little Inc. Operated by Liberty Mutual Insurance Co., the laboratory will be concerned mostly with present-day complicated, powerful machinery and complex manufacturing techniques. Emphasis will be on causes underlying industrial casualty reports.

Industrial noise is one of the first problems being attacked. Communications and fatigue are two major considerations in connection with industrial noise. If a machine is so noisy that ordinary conversation is impractical, new workers cannot be properly trained on the job. Redesign of machine parts, acoustic baffles or changes in operating methods may be recommended.

Oxygen consumed by a worker when sitting still or when engaged in an industrial operation is analyzed in another test. Re-

lating this measurement to expended efforts may lead to redesign of machines to reduce operator fatigue.

Research results of the laboratory are published and reports of successful machine modifications are available to industry at large.



BIG AS A HOUSE is this new Westinghouse car-type gas heat-treating furnace. Reported big enough to contain a modest one-story bungalow, the furnace will be used for stress relieving of large weldments. With a usable charge space 30-feet long, 18-feet wide and 16-feet high, parts weighing up to 100 tons may be treated at one time

More New Aluminum Designations

Two aluminum alloys have been given designation numbers in accordance with the recently announced aluminum alloy designation system (MACHINE DESIGN, Sept., 1954, Page 30). Said to be the world's strongest aluminum alloy for production use, HZM 100 is now 7001. Developed this year by Harvey Aluminum, the alloy is

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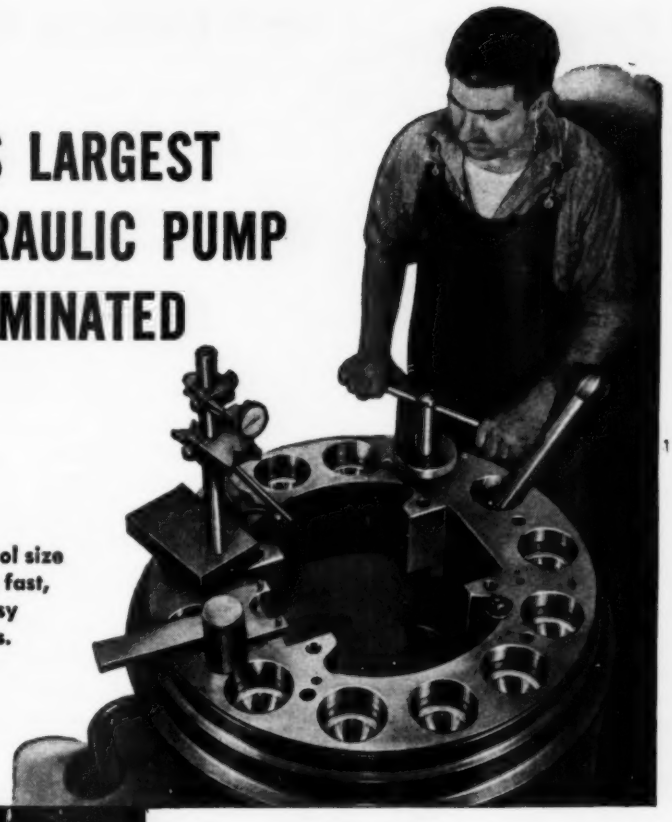

New Waterbury Tool size "300" pumps gain fast, accurate fit and easy service adjustments.

Heart of this huge 20-ton hydraulic pump is the immense revolving assembly of angle plate, connecting rods and pistons. Tilting the angle plate permits rapid reversing under heavy load. Both ends of the connecting rod bearings – at angle plate and pistons – are assembled and adjusted with Laminated Shims. Shown in large picture is angle plate being assembled. Smaller picture gives size of complete revolving assembly. Pumps will be used in Tube Reducing Machine being built by E. W. Bliss Co. for the Tube Reducing Corp.

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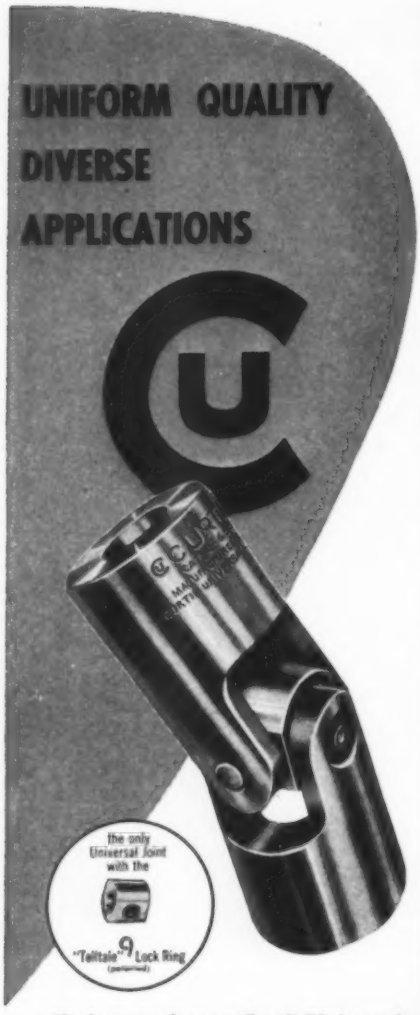

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being used to produce extruded shapes and forgings.

Alloy 7001 has a typical ultimate strength of approximately 100,000 psi. It is designed for high-stress structural applications.

Aluminum alloy 66S has also been added to the new designation list. In accordance with the Aluminum Association's new system, 66S will be labeled 6066.

Harvey Aluminum reports that 6066 combines high strength found in the copper series alloys with economy, ideal weldability and corrosion resistance.

An Industral Exposition is one of the features of a series of programs planned to celebrate The Michigan State College centennial in 1955. Now the nation's ninth largest university, Michigan State was founded in 1855 as the country's first agricultural college.

Rocket Sets New Altitude Record

Altitude record for single-stage rockets was set recently when the Naval Research Laboratory's Viking 11 reached a height of 158 miles above the White Sands Proving Grounds at Las Cruces, N. M. The previous record was 136 miles.

Viking 11, measuring 45 feet and weighing 7½ tons, topped that mark by 22 miles, reaching a maximum speed of 4300 mph. The

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WEIGH-AS-YOU-GO fork-lift truck pictured here is of British design. By utilizing built in weighing equipment, much manhandling of loads on and off conventional scales is eliminated. Made by I. T. D. Ltd., London, the truck has a capacity of 2000 pounds with automatic locking to protect the weighing mechanism

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rocket's warhead, carrying almost 1000 pounds of electronic instruments to relay and record information about the outer atmosphere, was recovered intact 24 miles northwest of the launching site. The warhead is blasted away from the body of the rocket at the optimum altitude and then falls free. Its bulky unstreamlined designed serves as a brake in the heavy lower atmosphere.

Major purpose of the flight was to measure properties of the ionosphere, the layers of charged particles surrounding the earth which reflect radio waves and make possible long-distance radio communication. A transmitter was carried aloft and sent radio waves through the ionosphere to receivers on the ground.

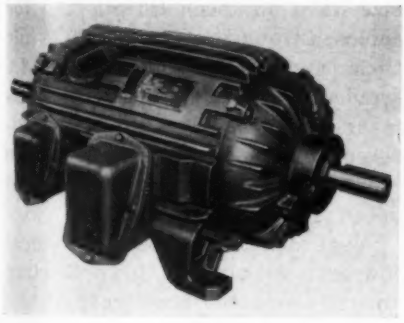
Other upper-air experiments were intended to determine the ion content of the atmosphere at high altitudes, its pressure, density and wind velocities. Emulsions prepared by the National Institute of Health were placed within the vehicle to detect cosmic radiation. The rocket also carried a number of cameras to determine its orientation during flight, to measure the intensity of the daylight sky illumination, and to obtain wide-area photographs of the earth's surface. Many of the instruments were devoted to measuring the performance of the rocket itself. Most of the scientific information obtained from the rocket was transmitted to the ground during the flight by means of a radio telemetering system.

Mallory-Sharon Titanium Corp. has announced that it is now producing titanium ingots with its double melting process operated by remote control. The company, one of the major titanium producers, is now melting unalloyed titanium and a full range of titanium alloys, which are available in the form of sheet, strip, bars, forgings, and other mill products. Alloys include the MST-3Al-5Cr alloy, used by manufacturers of jet engines

and airframe components, plus two new alloys, the 3 manganese complex alloy, and the 6 aluminum, 4 vanadium alloy.

New Enclosed Motor Makes Debut

Stator, slip rings, brushes and brush rigging are fully enclosed in a newly developed wound-rotor motor. Manufactured by Allis-Chalmers, the new motor is said



to be the first totally-enclosed-wound-rotor type made.

By lengthening the front end, all of the associated parts normally outside the case are now enclosed.

TINIEST RELAY in the world, according to its makers, G. M. Giannini and Co., can be actuated by a solar battery or photocell. Contacts and actuating elements are made of magnetic rods sealed in glass

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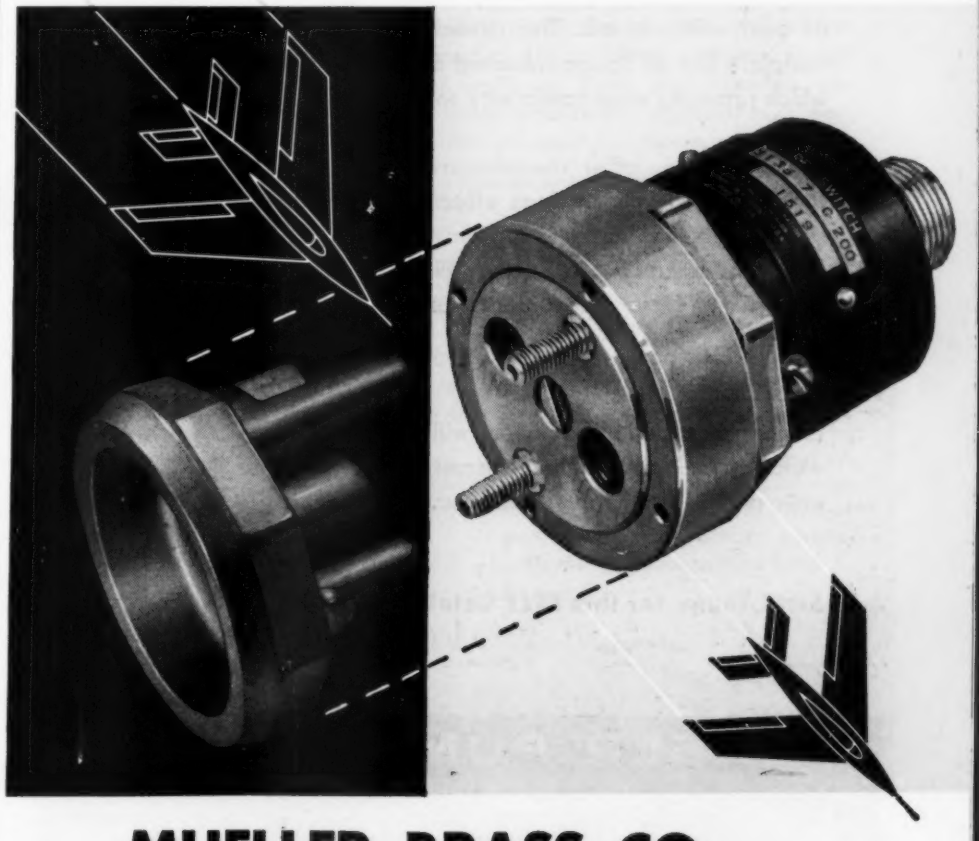

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Additional area for heat removal is also provided by the elongated frame. Large pipe plugs are removeable for maintenance work. Slip-ring leads are brought out to a separate conduit box and the lead opening in the frame is sealed.

Basically the APZ or APZZ rib-type frame, the elongated design permits use of standard bearing housings, external fans and fan housings as used on squirrel-cage motors in that frame construction.

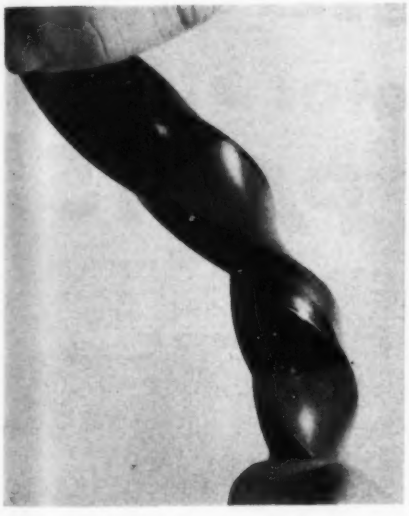
According to Allis-Chalmers, NEMA standards for horsepower and speed relationship to frame size have not been established for enclosed wound-rotor motors. While these motors are built on NEMA frames with standard mounting dimensions, they may be on a different frame than a squirrel-cage motor of the same horsepower and speed.

Applications include those where low starting current, high starting torque, smooth acceleration and variable adjustable speed combined with moist, dirty, corrosive or hazardous atmospheres dictate an enclosed wound-rotor motor.

Finished steel products shipped by steel companies increased 191,000 net tons in August over July to a total of 4,681,000 tons, American Iron and Steel Institute

reported today. Thirteen of 20 industrial classifications took more steel in August than in the previous month.

The automotive industry took 656,000 tons in August, against 707,000 tons in July. This industry's total in eight months of 1954 was 7.4 million tons, against 10.7 million tons in the same period last year.



NEW TWIST at higher and lower temperatures can be given to organic rubber with the addition of a new silicone polymer. Called Dow Corning 410 Gum, the new polymer can be blended with or applied as a coating to organic rubbers to extend serviceable temperature limits and increase weather resistance

Silent Sound Solders Without Flux

Combining the cleaning properties of ultrasonic power with a soldering device, Aeroprojects Inc. has developed a new method of fluxless soldering. Aluminum, copper, magnesium and silver can be soldered without flux using this newly developed equipment.

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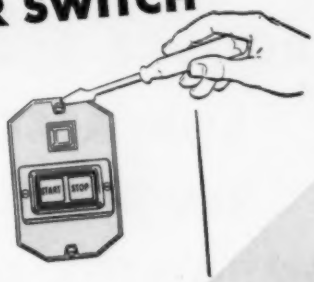

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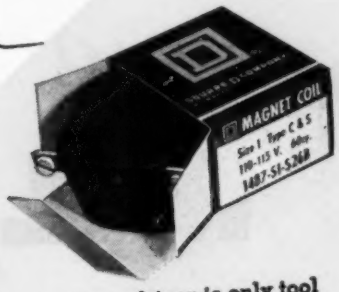

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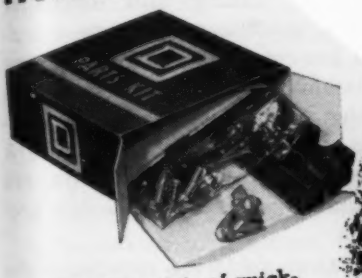

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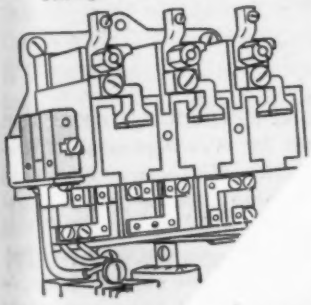

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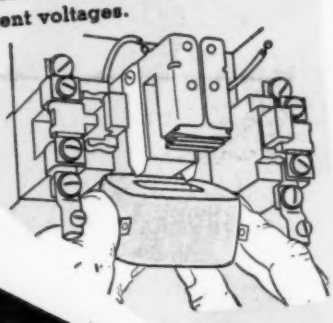

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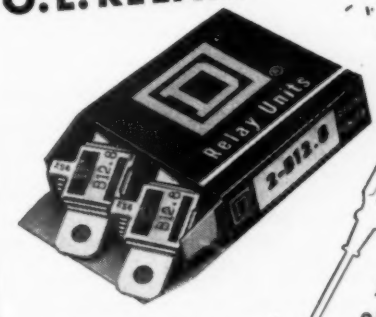

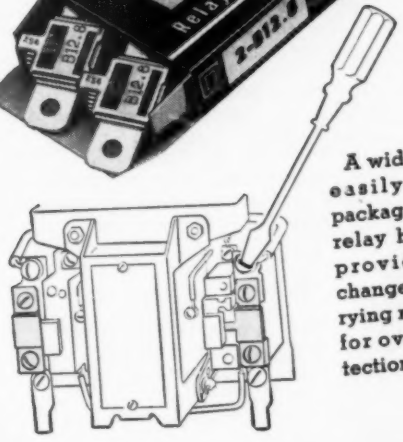

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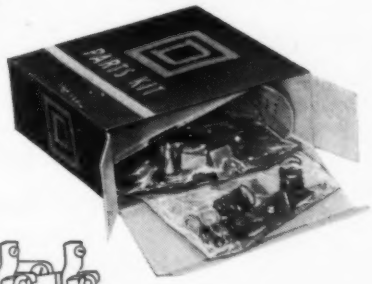

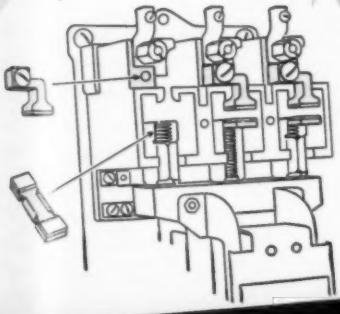

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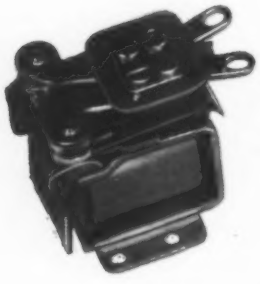

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is said to be powerful enough for production use. Acoustical energy developed by the transducer is transmitted to the surface to be tinned and removes the oxide coating. An anodized coating will also be removed, permitting soldering to anodized or Alodized surfaces.

New designs utilizing joining of die castings or of copper to aluminum are now claimed practical. Soldering of sheet aluminum to many dissimilar metals, joining of aluminum tubing and dissimilar metals, soldering wires to aluminum foil capacitors and assembling of laminated aluminum sheet are among the many reported applications of ultrasonic soldering. A wide range of solder alloys are possible for particular design problems.

Fluxless soldering eliminates the need for a thorough washing to remove excess flux. Possible corrosive action of excess flux is also prevented.

• • • UNDERGROUND REACTOR *being built by Westinghouse for Duquesne Light Co. won't have any trouble keeping itself secret. Designers say there will be no tall chimneys, no smoke, no building for furnaces or boilers and no coal piles. In fact if you look real close, you might not see anything at all.*

Nothing to Invent? Look Over This List

Based on the fact that there is inherent in the American people a vast reservoir of inventive talent, the Inventors Council of the U. S. Dept. of Commerce is distributing a list of technical problems to the general public. Compiled in cooperation with the military services, the list contains 200 technical problems confronting the military as well as areas in which technological advances are desirable. Problems cover the fields of electronics, metals, materials and food.

A few typical examples are:

379 Improved metal

There is a need for an easily

worked alloy which will withstand temperatures above 5000 F.

383 Pneumatic tire substitute
Sponge rubber suitable for zero-pressure tires.

486 A personal heating system

532 Long-life batteries

537 Recorder for high-frequency range
Recorder for the frequency range of 5 to 1000 mc with immediate playback or long-time storage.

539 Frenquency-insensitive rotating joint
Rotating joint for coaxial and wave guide circuity.

551 Metal-to-metal adhesive
Increasing operating temperatures to 500 F requires a metal-to-metal adhesive having a shear strength of at least 2500 psi for aeronautical applications.

Details of the method of submitting solutions to these and other listed problems are published with the latest list. Copies may be obtained free of charge by writing the National Inventors Council, U. S. Department of Commerce, Washington 25, D. C. Ask for List 1954.

Symbol and Motto Winners Announced

Winners of ASME's contest to find a suitable symbol and motto for its 75th anniversary celebration have been announced.

Symbol winner was Andrew T. Lemmens, design engineer with the Gleason Works. Top award for

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Massey-Harris has found the fibre-like flow line structure of forged steel the most satisfactory material for use in certain parts of their farm tractors. "Commercial" metal quality forgings are used extensively for parts subjected to great stress and strain. "Commercial" forgings made in closed dies which go into the differential and transmission of the Massey-Harris tractor have mechanical properties that can't be duplicated. Often "Commercial's" forging technique makes additional savings possible. The pierced continuous hole of different diameters in the forging in the picture reduced the amount of metal and lowered machining cost.

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a motto was given David H. Ray, retired mechanical engineer of Tarrytown, N. Y. Each man received $250 first prize.

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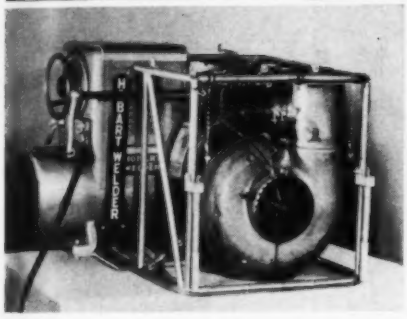

GAS TURBINE drives this new arc welder. Reported to be the first so powered, the unit is said to have the advantage of greatly reduced weight and size. Made by Hobart Brothers, the welder and turbine are expected to be the answer to lighter airborne welding equipment

Extruded Pistons Are Lighter, Stronger

First extruded automotive pistons ever manufactured for commercial production are claimed to be 50 per cent stronger and 30 per cent lighter than the old-style pistons. Developed by the Light Metals Div. of Thompson Products Inc. the new product has recently been tested in a commercial engine.

Made of aluminum alloy fashioned by the impact extrusion method, the pistons are heat treated for a 100 to 200 per cent increase in tensile strength, greater ductility and over 400 per cent increase

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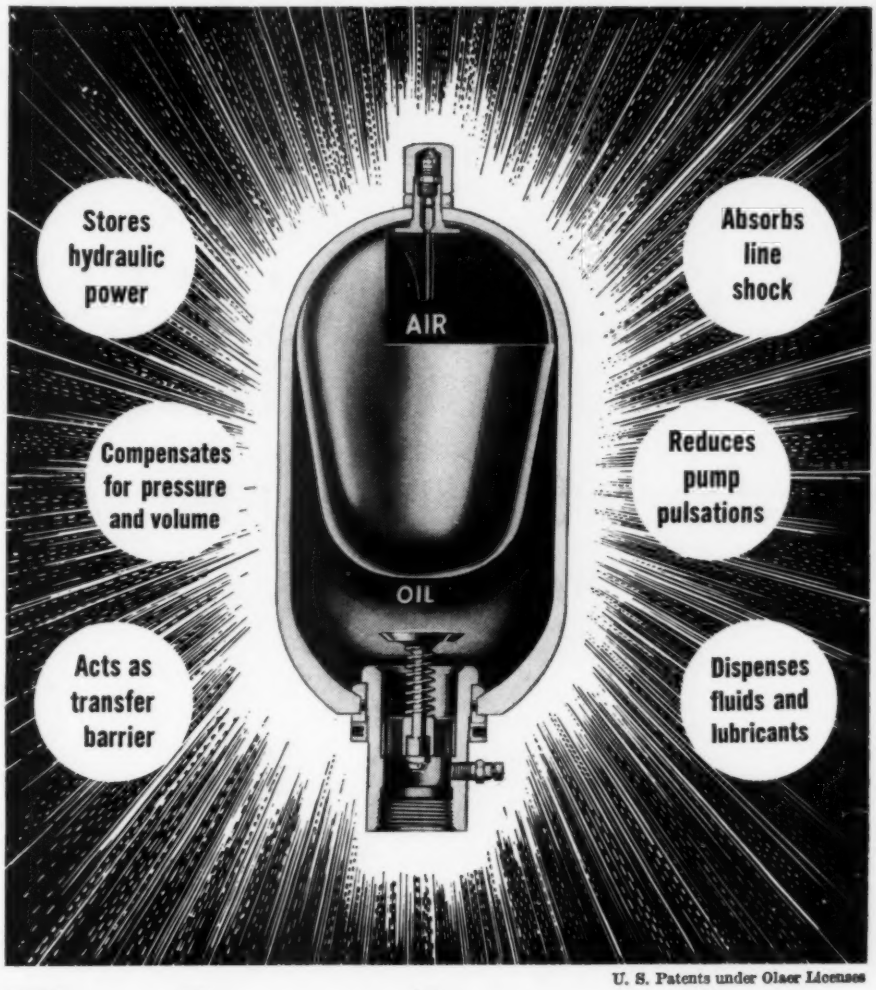

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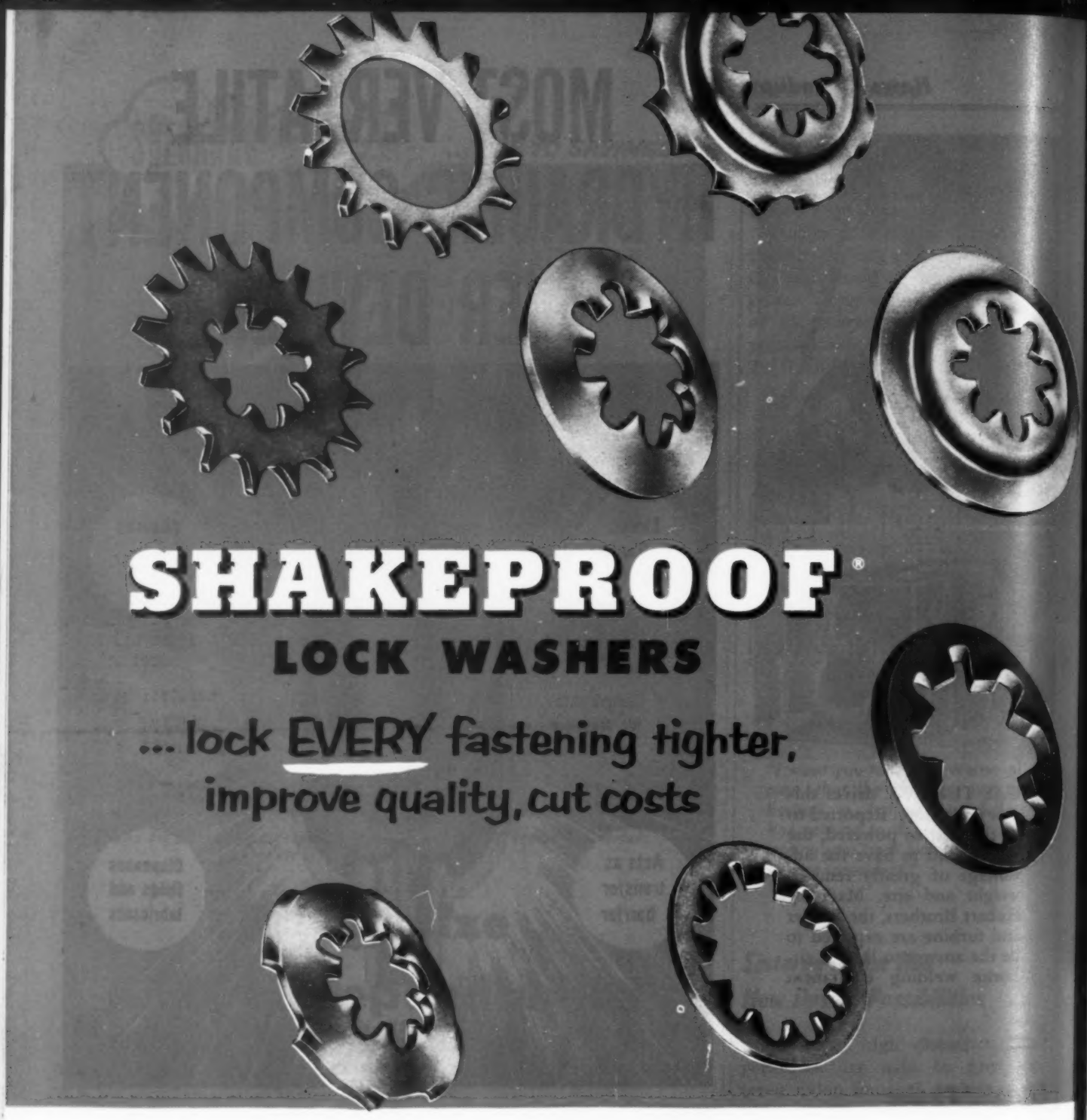

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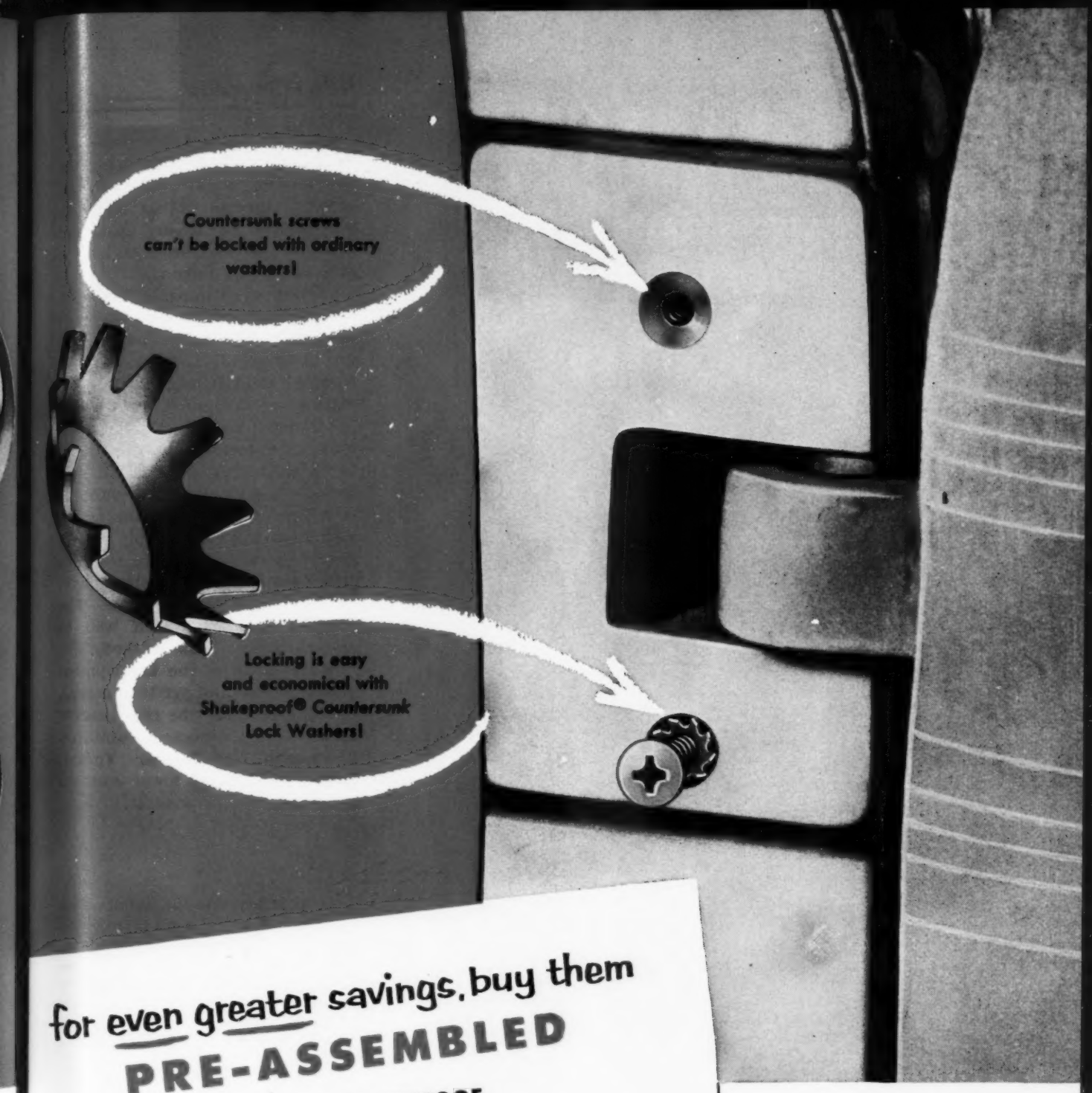

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in fatigue life. One man using the new process, is expected to be capable of turning out as many as 500 pistons per hour, compared with 100 to 200 per hour by the present casting method.

Casting of pistons by the permanent mold method requires pouring of the aluminum and waiting for it to solidify. After removal from the mold, trimming and finish machining is required.

Although impact extruded pistons also require trimming and finish machining, more rapid production is possible. After suitable dies are assembled in the press, aluminum slugs are simply fed in. Piston extrusions may be made to closer tolerances and better physical properties and structure. The process also lends itself well to automatic production methods.

While many of the development problems have not yet been solved, initial reports of the new process indicate new design possibilities. Engineering of higher speed, lighter weight and lower cost engines may now be possible.

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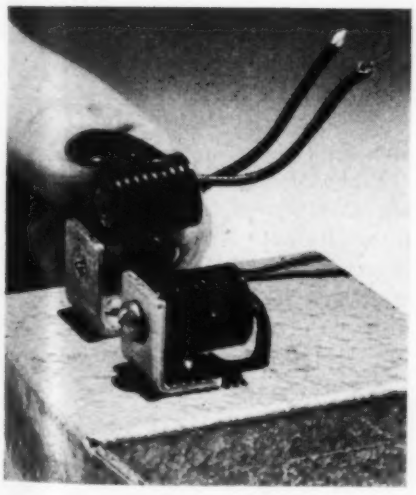
Floating Quiet Lab Checks Annoying Hum

A room floated within a room characterizes this new sound laboratory for low-level noise testing. Built by General Electric, the new laboratory is being used to test fluorescent lamp ballasts.

Walls, ceiling and floor of 8-inch thick concrete make up the outer room. A series of isolators support the inner room, thus minimizing any transmission of ground vibration. Poured concrete slabs, held together by concrete pilasters

Fluorescent lamp ballasts to be tested in General Electric's new quiet room are placed at the top of the plywood horn. Hum is picked up at the bottom by a sound level meter

and reinforcing rods, make up the walls of the inner room. Poured concrete ceiling and floor complete



MORE POWER TO YOU: Combining the black, ribbed design plus fastening the unit in thermal contact with the chassis gives greater heat dissipation and results in a higher powered transistor. Rated at 1 watt, these units are in pilot production by the Westinghouse Electronic Tube Division. They are expected to be used in amplifier service where high-power output is required

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Milwaukee Metal Working Co., over 50 years in the manufacture of hydraulic motors, pumps, valves and cylinders, has changed its name to Wisconsin Hydraulics Inc. L. G. Kranik, president, announced that the company will continue to expand with added personnel.

Meetings and Expositions

Nov. 15-17—

American Standards Association. Fifth national conference on standards to be held at Hotel Roosevelt, New York, N. Y. G. F. Hussey, 70 East 45th St., New York 17, N. Y., is managing director.

Nov. 15-17—

The Magnesium Association. Tenth annual meeting to be held at the Hotel Chase, St. Louis, Mo. Jerry Singleton, 122 East 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y., is executive secretary.

Nov. 28-Dec. 3—

American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Annual meeting to be held at the Statler Hotel, New York, N. Y. C. E. Davies, 29 West 39th St., New York, N. Y., is secretary.

Dec. 2-7—

Twenty-first National Power Show will be held at the Commercial Museum in Philadelphia, Pa. E. K. Stevens, 480 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y., is manager.

Dec. 5-8—

American Society of Agricultural Engineers. Winter meeting to be held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill. Additional information may be obtained from society headquarters, P. O. Box 229, St. Joseph, Mich.

Dec. 5-9—

Scientific Apparatus Makers Association. Fall meeting to be held at the Pinehurst Hotel, Pinehurst, N. C. Additional information may be obtained from society headquarters, 20 N. Wacker Dr., Chicago, Ill.

Dec. 12-15—

American Institute of Chemical Engineers. Annual meeting to be held at Hotel New Yorker, New York, N. Y. Additional information may be obtained from society headquarters, 120 E. 41st St., New York 17, N. Y.

Jan. 10-14—

Society of Automotive Engineers. Annual meeting and engineering display to be held at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel and Hotel Statler, Detroit, Mich. Additional information may be obtained from society headquarters, 29 West 39th St., New York 18, N. Y.

Jan. 24-27—

Plant Maintenance & Engineering Conference to be held at the International Amphitheatre, Chicago, Ill. Additional information may be obtained from the exposition management, Clapp & Poliak Inc., 341 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

Jan. 24-28—

Twelfth International Heating and Ventilating Exposition to be held at the Commercial Museum and Convention Hall in Philadelphia, Pa. E. K. Stevens, 480 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y., is manager.

Jan. 31-Feb. 4—

American Institute of Electrical Engineers. Winter general meeting to be held at Hotel Statler, New York, N. Y. Additional information may be obtained from society headquarters, 33 West 39th St., New York 18, N. Y.

MEN
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Consulting member of the Board of Engineers of Intertype Corp., Brooklyn, N. Y., **Ernst L. Midgette** has been appointed director of research, development and engineering. Mr. Midgette received B.S. and M.S. degrees in mechanical engineering from the University of North Carolina. He served as an engineer on the staff of the U. S. Rubber Reclaiming Co., Buffalo, N. Y., and later as an instructor

Ernst L. Midgette

in machine design at Johns Hopkins University. In 1946 he was appointed head of the Mechanical Engineering Department of the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn. He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Society for Engineering Education.

Herman R. Freund, vice president, has assumed new duties as consulting engineer and supervisor of all typographic matters for the Intertype Corp.

Formerly chief engineer, **Sydney Minault** has been promoted to works manager of the Equipment Div. of National Research Corp., Cambridge, Mass. His responsibilities include the engineering department. **William O'Malley** has been appointed manager of engineering to succeed Mr. Minault.

The Gear Grinding Machine Co., Detroit, has appointed **William F. Wilson** to the position of vice president in charge of engineering and manufacturing. He will have charge of all engineering and manufacturing operations for all of the company's divisions. A graduate of Michigan State College, Mr. Wilson was previously associated with the experimental engineering department of the Hudson Motor Car Co., with Stevenson, Jordan & Harrison as a consulting engineer and, most recently, with Kearney & Trecker Corp. as works manager. Mr. Wilson is a member of the American Ordnance Association and the Engineering Society of Detroit.

A director and chairman of the board since 1946, **Henry O. Fuchs** is now vice president of Metal Improvement Co., Los Angeles. He has resigned the position of chief research enginer of Preco Inc., but will continue to serve this firm as a consultant. Mr. Fuchs was previously associated with General Motors Corp. He is the author of a number of papers and articles, including one entitled "Trapped Stresses," which appeared in the July 1948 issue of MACHINE DESIGN.

Taking charge of product research engineering and development, **V. L. Peickii** has been appointed director of research by National Motor Bearing Co. Inc., Redwood City, Calif. Before joining the company, Mr. Peickii headed a

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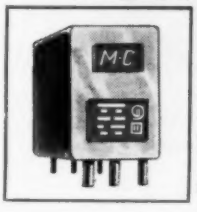

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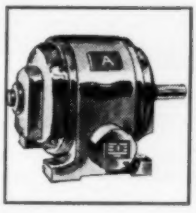

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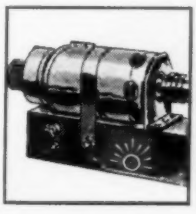

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Robert H. Davies has been appointed vice president in charge of engineering for the Parker Appliance Co., Cleveland, and its subsidiaries. Mr. Davies graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy at

Robert H. Davies

Annapolis in 1934. He was a mathematics instructor at the New London Nautical Academy and later at Fenn College. He joined Parker in 1939 and was named engineering manager in 1946. Mr. Davies is a registered professional engineer in Ohio and California and is a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences and the American Ordnance Association. He is the author of many technical articles and papers.

The newly created post of chief of the engineering missiles section of Ryan Aeronautical Co., San Diego, Calif., has been filled by **A. B. Deyarmond.** Mr. Deyarmond was formerly chief of the techni-

cal section of the engineering division. **R. A. Fuhrman,** chief aerodynamics engineer, will assume additional duties as acting chief of the technical section. **Edward D. Sly** has been promoted to chief test project engineer.

R. H. Isbrandt recently was named chief design engineer of Nash Motors Div. of American Motors Corp., Detroit.

Formerly manager of the company's engineering laboratory at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., **Ralph L. Palmer** has been appointed director of engineering of International Business Machines Corp., New York. A graduate of Union College, Mr. Palmer joined the company in 1932. He served in electrical engineering posts at Endicott, N. Y., and in 1947 was made electronics engineer at the Poughkeepsie laboratory. He was named manager of this laboratory in 1950.

Other new appointments at I.B.M. include those of **John C. Abrams** as director of laboratory operations, **Jerrier A. Haddad** as director of advanced machine development and **James J. Troy** as director of product design. **Horace S. Beattie** has succeeded Mr. Palmer as manager of the Poughkeepsie laboratory, and **Francis E. Hamilton** has been named manager of the Endicott laboratory.

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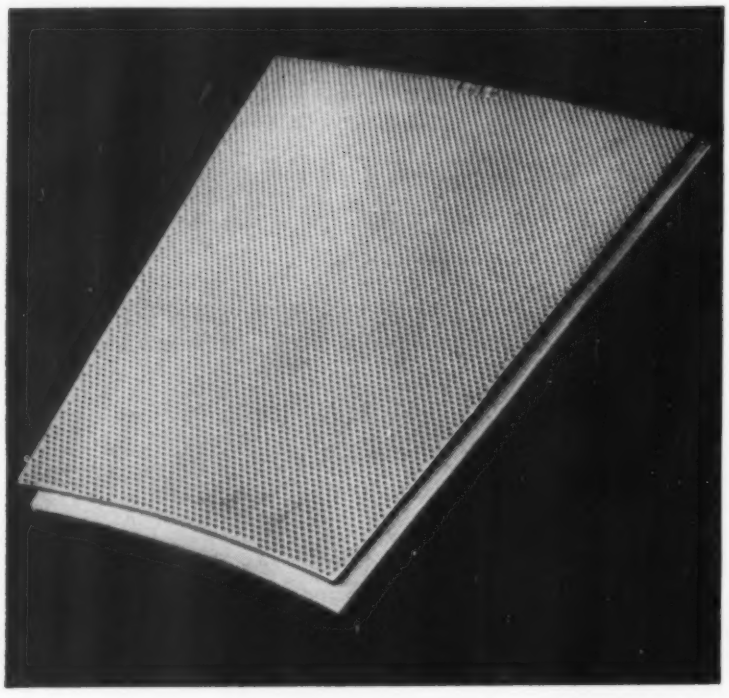

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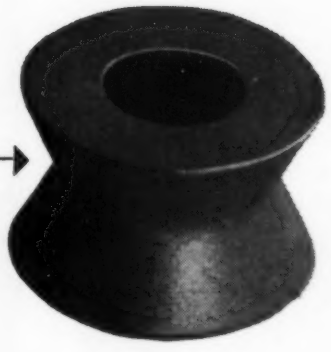

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Vigilance Needed

ON THIS PAGE, last month, we observed that engineers, with all their organizations, are failing to achieve the unity enjoyed by other professions.

Because engineers serve largely through employment in industry, their profession differs from others such as the medical and legal. The number of engineers in industry has risen rapidly. They now represent a sizable proportion of industrial employees. Two implications of this fact are important: the individual tends to become submerged, and the group becomes attractive game for zealous labor organizers.

Fortunately, labor laws are now so written that engineers can be independent of industrial or trade unions in the same plant. But some have seen fit to organize for collective bargaining with their employers. Those who do should ask themselves whether their actions will strengthen or weaken the profession, and their own futures.

A few simple tests will quickly establish whether a group operates on a professional level. For instance, does the group recognize and support these principles:

1. Personal responsibility of each member to complete as quickly as possible a job once undertaken
2. Obligation to regard as confidential any matters which an employer so designates
3. Restriction of membership to those whose work requires the exercise of discretion and judgment not subject to standardization
4. Advancement and promotion through merit rather than solely through seniority
5. Furtherment of professional knowledge, ideals and practice
6. Obligation to society and to fellow engineers.

The real key to the future status of any profession lies in the attitude of the individual members. Because engineering is less highly organized than some other professions, the obligation on each individual is all the more pressing. And the preservation of professional standards will continue to demand the utmost vigilance on the part of every engineer.

Colin Carmichael

DEVELOPING CREATIVE TALENT

By E. G. Reed *Director of Research, Originality House, Akron, Ohio*

SUCCESS in creative engineering depends on trial. To know that an idea works is more important than to understand the principles involved, since a new device or invention may use principles that are not currently recognized. Because the inventor is not too greatly concerned with principles and logic, he simply tests any idea relating to the solution of a problem to obtain a sense of direction.

This process involves a method of creative thinking that can be reduced to a recognizable technique. A recent study of successful inventors has emphasized the striking similarity of their methods. This consistency lends strength to a general acceptance of the belief that there is a definite "method" of creative thought which can be followed. With command of these techniques inventive talent can be developed with some certainty of results.

Primary in any discussion of creative-engineering thinking processes is recognition of the difference between research and invention:

Research is logical. It follows the routine of geometry where, starting with axioms, each conclusion is based on a previously proved conclusion. The most obvious flaw of the research method, when used alone, lies in the fact that a single mistake in its long, complicated line of logic, or a single false assumption, can invalidate its conclusions.

Invention is psychological. It requires the coordinated use of certain basic abilities. Each ability is related to a definite mental and emotional approach. Contrary to general belief, inventors are very normal people who have acquired a technique of thinking most likely to produce creative results.

What are these basic abilities? For convenience, they can be considered as six definitely recognized mental processes. Each is necessary for successful development of inventive talent, but may not be labeled as such by those who follow the procedure. By conscious development of each step, however, inventive talent can be improved.

Obstacles to Creative Talent—1

Smugnosis

Smugnosis is a disease of the judgment in which the individual arrives at negative conclusions with insufficient information. The greater the formal education, the greater the susceptibility to smugnosis. Less than ten years before the first atomic explosion, an internationally known scientist and authority on atomic energy stated publicly that a thousand years of research and development would be required to develop an atomic bomb. Later, an equally famous scientist stated that the chances were a hundred to one against development of a hydrogen bomb. (Parenthetically, neither have ever been accused of Communist sympathies.)

Creative effort is the basis of all successful design engineering. Creativeness or invention, however, is a function—not of logic or reasoning—but rather of the personality traits and psychology of the individual. The proper climate for creative engineering can be supplied; incentives can be offered; training programs can be sponsored. But the success of any program rests squarely on the individual's own creative talent, and the successful development of a personal technique for creative thinking. This technique may vary from person to person, and certainly the mental processes involved defy simple analysis. One approach to the problem is considered in this article. Several facets of the discussion will intuitively be recognized as completely valid by everyone who has experienced the pain and labor of creative effort. Other facets may be highly controversial. But conscious attention to individual development of a technique for creative thinking can pay dividends, no matter what the route.

EDUCABILITY

Educability differs from education even more than research differs from invention. In some instances, too much education decreases educability. Memory is necessary to modern formal education. But selective memory or ability to forget—a far more difficult trait to acquire—is essential to educability.

To have a high degree of educability the things we do not know must first be recognized. Only when the vast chasm of human ignorance has been viewed will educability be increased for the things we think we know.

The second aspect of educability is the ability to distinguish between fact and opinion. All accepted scientific principles are opinions subject to revision and change when additional facts are

Obstacles to Creative Talent—2

Too Young? Too Old?

An erroneous belief, brought about largely by statistical analysis, is that the peak of inventive genius is reached before the age of 35. There is no real evidence of decrease in creative talent in later years. Youth establishes his status as an inventor through his willingness to take chances. Once established, he becomes afraid to add further ideas, lest he lose this status.

Young people have very high creative ability which, with proper encouragement, will not decrease as they grow older but will remain through the years if kept active. Often this creative talent is stifled by cramming young peoples' minds with nonessentials and inhibiting the development of original ideas. The creative power of youth has never been fully exploited.

One of the greatest reservoirs of creative talent untapped by management today lies in this combination of the minds of the teenage and past-fifty groups.

discovered. Too many engineers and scientists assume that acceptance of a principle by leading authorities makes it necessarily factual. Thus, educability might be termed the ability to doubt "established" facts, even the axioms, unless proved in practice—and to try new approaches.

PERCEPTION

One of the most important functions of perception as related to creative thinking is ability to distinguish between things as they are and as they should be. Lack of this ability has always been a major obstacle to human progress.

Very few people can see beyond their own immediate interests. Yet the ability to see beyond immediately obvious facts and opinions is absolutely essential to inventive technique.

Ability to distinguish between what is happening and what should happen, to see trends, to realize when old and generally accepted concepts have served their original purpose, provides the basis for the proper statement of problems to be solved and descriptions of machines to be designed. Invention provides for the future, so the principles used in an invention should be those that will be acceptable in the future.

ANALYSIS

Analysis, one of the last of the basic abilities to be developed in man's evolution, operates like a machine, without emotion or responsibility. It is the most ruthless kind of thinking.

Consistency is extremely important in analysis. Since man's mind operates under the laws of psychology, and not logic, few people are consistent. Most scientists are not bothered by the fact that the principles accepted in one science may be denied in another. This natural lack of consistency and fixed purpose in the average person makes analysis extremely difficult and fatiguing.

Analysis plays a double role in invention. Most obvious is that of making a sufficiently fine breakdown of a problem, so that at least one of its parts is easy to solve. While the primary purpose of analysis is to simplify a problem rather than solve it, sometimes parts of the unsolved problem correspond to parts of solved problems, so that the solution lies in comparison to that which has already been done.

If all parts are handled in this manner, the complete solution will follow the routine of research. On the other hand, if parts remain that cannot be solved by comparison to accepted procedures, this preliminary analysis will have clarified the part that remains to be handled by creative effort. In most cases, the creative solution will provide an easy, and usually unorthodox, way out of difficult situations. Analysis is essential to the proper setting up of problems to be solved.

The second and less obvious role of analysis is that of preparing the mind for creative thinking. Prolonged analysis produces an emotional state that ultimately induces a high degree of sensitivity to new ideas. This sensitivity, as a rule, is preceded by a period of discouragement. The inventor's experiences parallel those of a long-distance runner breaking through the barrier of fatigue into a "second wind." Analysis provides the necessary conditions for this breakthrough into a fresh mode of thought about the problem.

Few scientists or engineers experience the exhilaration of creative thinking. They relax at the wrong time and in the wrong way. Many people doing strenuous analytical thinking develop habits —conscious or unconscious—that provide a degree of diversion from mental fatigue, such as handling a pipe. By such diversion, however fatigue is held at such a low level it cannot trip the trigger of nervous mechanism necessary to creative thinking. Even when the fatigue barrier is broken, these diversions, used to reduce the mental strain of analysis, interfere with creative thinking. The creative inventor relaxes just as much, but at the right time and in a different way.

Obstacles to Creative Talent—3
Acceptance of Failure

Accepting a failure can prove to be a serious mistake. Each failure must be checked carefully, for a thousand failures only prove that a thousand wrong ways have been tried, while the thousand and first might succeed. There is value in both success and failure.

CREATIVENESS

Creative ability, one of the first basic abilities to be used in man's evolution, is based on a thought process in which judgment and logic are absent. With true creative thought, ideas are never thought of as right or wrong but merely accepted as ideas. The moment judgment begins to evaluate these impressions, creativeness ceases.

Creative ability grows out of the fatigue of analysis. Immediately after thorough analysis of a problem, in which a certain amount of mental fatigue and frustration has occurred, the inventor tends to arrive at a state of alert relaxation in which his senses are tuned to impressions that seemingly have little connection with logical thinking. Once this state is achieved, many solutions to the problem occur almost automatically. When one has learned to "tune in" this mental state at will, the feeling develops that any problem that can be clearly stated can be solved as simply as turning on a television set. One is constantly aware that the conscious mind does not provide these solutions.

The secret of creativeness seems to lie in the ability to utilize as yet little-understood sources of thought, and to eliminate the interference of one's conscious thoughts. Can this "tuning in" be done, at will, by the average person? The answer is "yes," if he masters the art of alert mental relaxation and the ability to distinguish and be sensitive to these impressions.

Fatigue, which helps trigger the creative state, can be induced by prolonged physical and mental work, just as one uses fatigue to induce the second wind. Perfecting this ability is not easy.

Alert relaxation, which is an integral part of the creative state, starts with body relaxation which ultimately affects brain action. Mental exercises include attempting to stop the conscious thinking processes, leaving the mind alert to the influx of new ideas. Usually this can be accomplished for only short periods of time. However, it is in these intervals that the first creative thoughts occur.

CREATIVE GROUP THINKING: Creative group thinking is quite different from ordinary group and panel discussions. It follows a pattern similar to that of research, in which one idea grows out of another, yet highly trained research men might have great difficulty in carrying out true group thinking.

The secret of group thinking is in planting ideas in anothers mind, like the cowbird that lays her eggs in anothers nest to be hatched. Creative group meetings are usually started by someone stating the problem to be solved and suggesting a solution in such a manner that each person in the group feels either that he could have stated a clearer solution or that he has a better idea. No-one criticizes another's ideas. Not only must every individual recognize the possible merits of ideas already proposed, but he must add to them in such a way as to plant an idea in the minds of the remaining group. His skill as a group thinker is measured by his ability to state his contribution in such a way as to cause others to think.

By the time an idea has been passed around a group several times the results are surprising, and few can determine their own contribution. As soon as one approach to a solution is exhausted, a new one is started, and the process is repeated until a number of possible solutions are developed. At this time they are reviewed and evaluated, and a course of action is planned.

Obstacles to Creative Talent—4
Restrictions and Red Tape

Departmental and individual restrictions, overspecialization, red tape, and the thousand-and-one formal routines required on many jobs are all hindrances to inventive talent. A certain degree of flexibility of working methods and arrangements is necessary; too formal a setup not only restricts initative, but all too often provides an escape from the labor of creative thought.

JUDGMENT

Judgment has the task of determining which of a number of possible solutions to each problem, is the most practical, and if the solution meets all the requirements. If not, the unsolved parts are sent back for reanalysis, and the cycle of analysis, creative thought and judgment is repeated until ev-

ery phase is completely solved. The sole function of judgment in this cycle is evaluation of ideas after they are fully developed, and not before. Judgment does not involve censorship of ideas.

This task seems very simple, since judgment must only keep out of the way until a number of solutions have been worked out and then evaluate them. However, good judgment is very rare. Even highly trained members of the Supreme Court, with well-established rules of procedure, are not always able to reach the same conclusions from the same facts. Also, the naturally tendency to judge with insufficient evidence interferes. Those with poorest judgment sometimes have a confidence born of ignorance that prevents them from recognizing and correcting their own weakness.

To develop good judgment, one must first understand all obstacles to accurate decisions, including recognition of his own personal faults in judgment. Hasty judgment should never be made on negative evidence. Practice should be in fields where conclusions can be checked against accurate measurement, rather than against opinions of those whose judgment may be faulty. The tendency to oversimplify, leaving out essential considerations, may be lessened by increasing one's general knowledge, thus enlarging the number of possible comparative sources for conclusions. Judgment should never be used when a decision can be based on measurement.

INITIATIVE

Initiative is by far the most important of all abilities related to creative thinking. Without it the inventor becomes an impractical dreamer. Initiative alone can take one a long way toward success.

Initiative usually involves a strong urge that will not permit the individual to rest until the desired goal is reached. A wide variety of emotions may occur in the process. Under favorable conditions, initiative induces enthusiasm and confidence. Under unfavorable conditions, a dissatisfaction with these conditions, and a drive to overcome them is likely to be produced. Because of this emotional versatility, true initiative is hard to stop.

Inspiration should always be followed by action. A good method of developing this forward approach is to set up a worthwhile task, then place oneself in a position where it will have to be carried out or ridicule will result. Correcting an undesirable habit is a good beginning exercise for this purpose. The selected task should always be difficult but within one's capacity. After each success, a more difficult plan should be attempted until the individual has convinced himself by his own accomplishments that he can meet any situation.

Conclusion: This is only one method of invention. Invention can be methodical, so much so that every individual can develop a technique best suited to his needs. But all invention follows a definite pattern. It's not the method but the results that count.

They Say . . .

What industry is trying to say to educators concerning the engineer and the scientist is this . . .

Give us well-founded men.

Cultivate habits of mind that will enable them to seek out unsolved problems, to systematically explore, and where possible to add to useful knowledge.

Give them basic tools in the form of fundamental knowledge for this task, but above all show them how to acquire more tools for themselves as they reach the limits of their past training.

Encourage qualities of initiative and responsibility.

Make them aware of the economic evaluation society will inevitably put on their contributions.

Help them toward attitudes of co-operation with their associates in work and community because much of their lives will be spent in working with and for people.

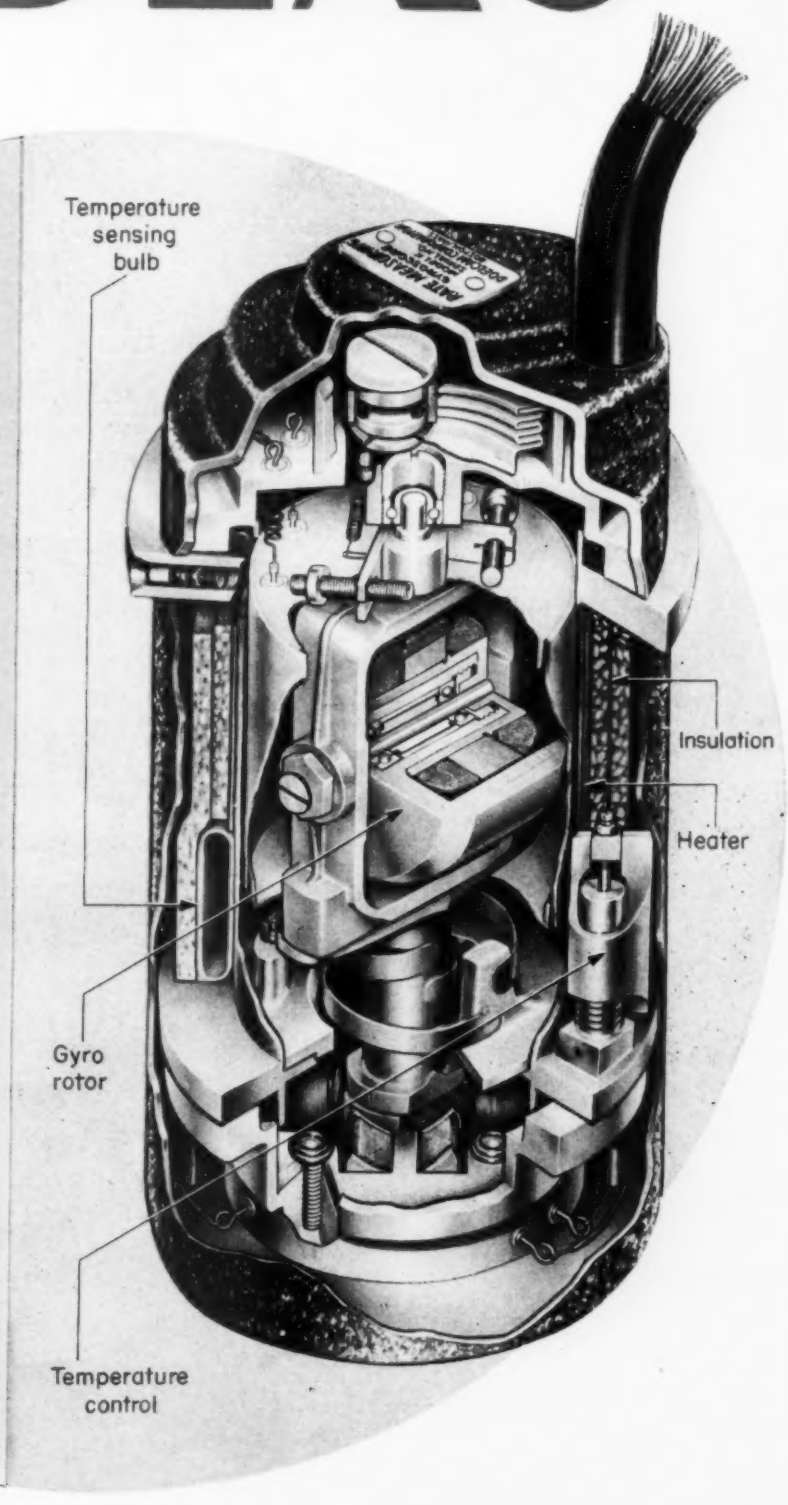
Prepare them to better adjust to people, situations, and the changing complexities of our society.

Foster alertness to broad social trends and the implications these have to their field of work.
—W. SCOTT HILL, "Observations by Industry on . . . Educating the Technical Graduate," *General Electric Review,* July, 1954.

"The mark of a good mechanical engineer is his ability to remove an element from a mechanical system, and at the same time improve the performance of the system. An element of a system cannot be classed as necessary until you have attempted, without success, to remove the element."
—F. R. BENEDICT, *assistant engineer manager, Westinghouse Electric Corp.*

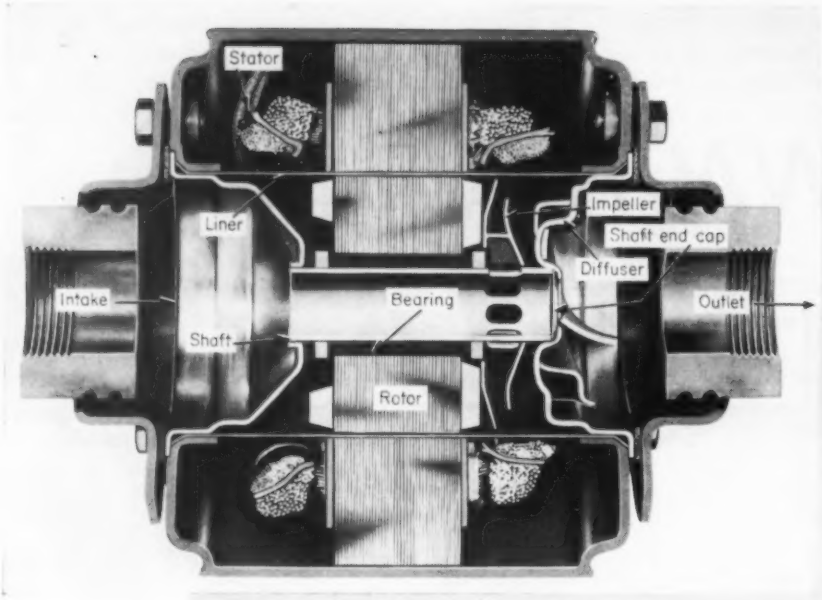
"It is in the tradition of science first to *observe,* then to *understand,* and finally, to *utilize* the forces of nature."—LAWRENCE R. HAFSTEAD, *director, Div. of Reactor Development, Atomic Energy Commission.*

SCANNING the field for IDEAS



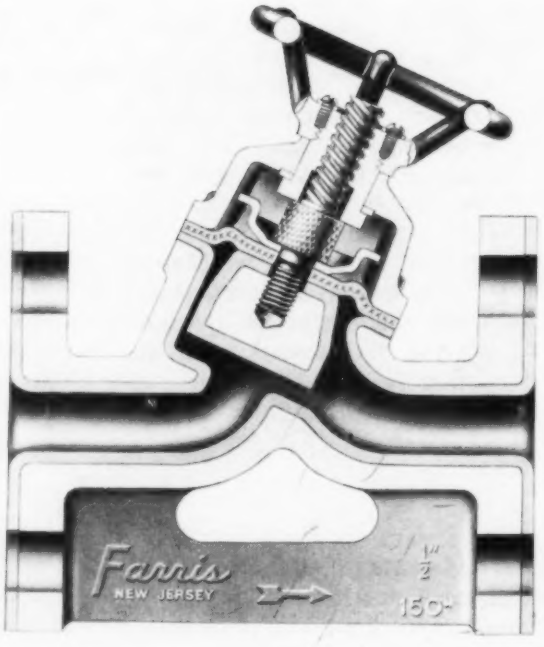
FLUID DAMPING of rotating precision instrument assemblies improves dynamic response characteristics and offers protection against shock and vibration. In a rate-meauring gyroscope developed by Doelcam Corp., torsional oscillations of the gimbal assembly are controlled by silicone damping fluid between the cylindrical container for the gimbal assembly and the gyro casing. When maintained at the proper temperature, the silicone fluid provides the ideal viscosity compromise—sufficient to damp the torsional oscillations and yet not enough to hinder gyro response to input signals. Temperature of the fluid is maintained by an electric heating unit, immersed in the fluid, which is controlled by a sensitive thermostatic unit for fast response to small temperature deviations.

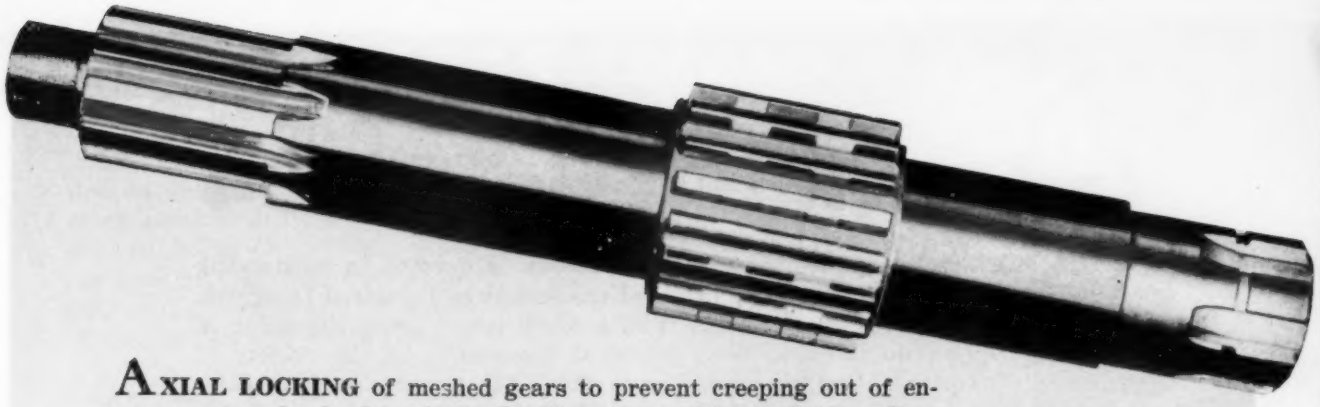
IDEAS



MAGNETIC DRIVE in the new Dynapump eliminates shafts and stuffing boxes and permits dual functions of centrifugal pump and electric motor to be combined in a single-mounted unit. Essentially an ac motor with a tubular rotor, the design developed by Fostoria Pressed Steel Corp. utilizes a stainless steel cylinder in place of the conventional air gap to isolate the stator and prevent leakage of fluid into the windings. Pumping action is produced by impeller blades mounted to the rotor which is driven by the rotating magnetic field of the stator. Fluid enters at one end of the pump unit, flows through the rotor and is discharged through a diffuser section at the opposite end. Lightweight and compact, the design eliminates the need for lubrication through the use of self-lubricating graphite bearings.

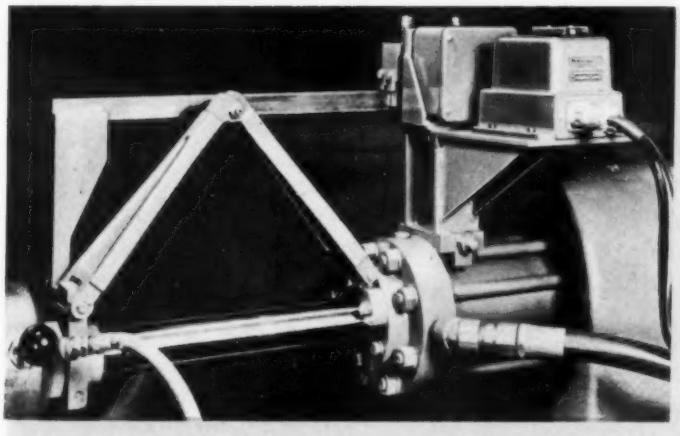
DUAL SEAL DESIGN in a valve for corrosive, abrasive or vacuum service assures positive closing and reduces maintenance. The Farris Flex Valve employs a flexible fluid-sealing diaphragm and a replaceable seating disk to eliminate packings or glands. In operation, the diaphragm acts as a seal and is not subject to wear or abrasion. A variety of plastic and elastomer materials can be adapted to the design, offering flexibility in meeting service requirements.

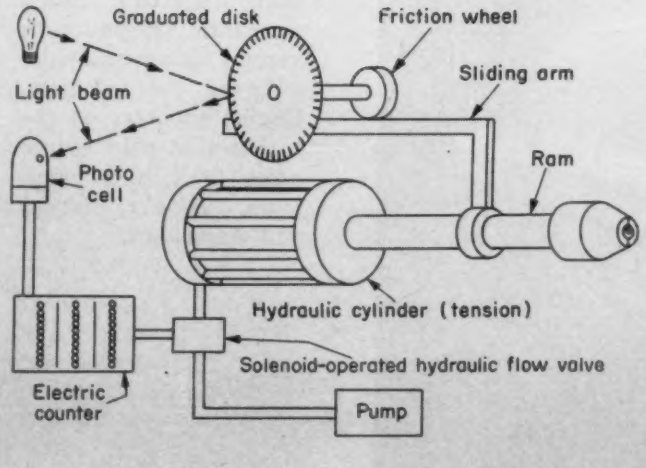




AXIAL LOCKING of meshed gears to prevent creeping out of engagement under load is obtained with a clever thick-and-thin spline-tooth design. Effective under either constant or varying load, the design employs an involute tooth on which one or more sections of reduced thickness have been machined. When mating teeth are meshed, with the thick sections on one engaging the thin sections of the other, the gear members are blocked by the projecting edges from "walking" axially under load. Under no load, however, the meshing teeth may be readily shifted axially to vary the position of engagement.

The design has been applied to advantage in a transmission shaft unit developed by Rockwell Spring and Axle Co. In this unit, 17 teeth are employed with each tooth having three thin and two thick sections. Thickness of the thin sections runs from 0.008 to 0.012-inch less than that of the thick section on each side. In processing, a conventional tooth is first hobbed and the thin sections are then produced on a rack shaver.





ACCURATE CONTROL of hydraulic or pneumatic cylinder operation under varying load is provided automatically by a system employing electronic counters. Developed by Hufford Machine Works Inc. for use on stretch-wrap forming machines the system operates independently of cylinder pressure and can be preadjusted to stop ram action after a prescribed distance has been traveled. In operation, ram motion is transmitted through a sliding arm to rotate a disk marked with a series of alternate black and white radial lines. One white line on the disk passes an aperture for each 1/10-inch of ram travel. A light beam, reflected by each white line, is picked up by a photoelectric cell and converted to an electrical impulse which is transmitted to the electronic counter. When the desired travel distance has been "counted off," the ram motion is halted. Ram travel may be readily varied by "punching" the desired distance on the electronic counter keyboard in inches and tenths.

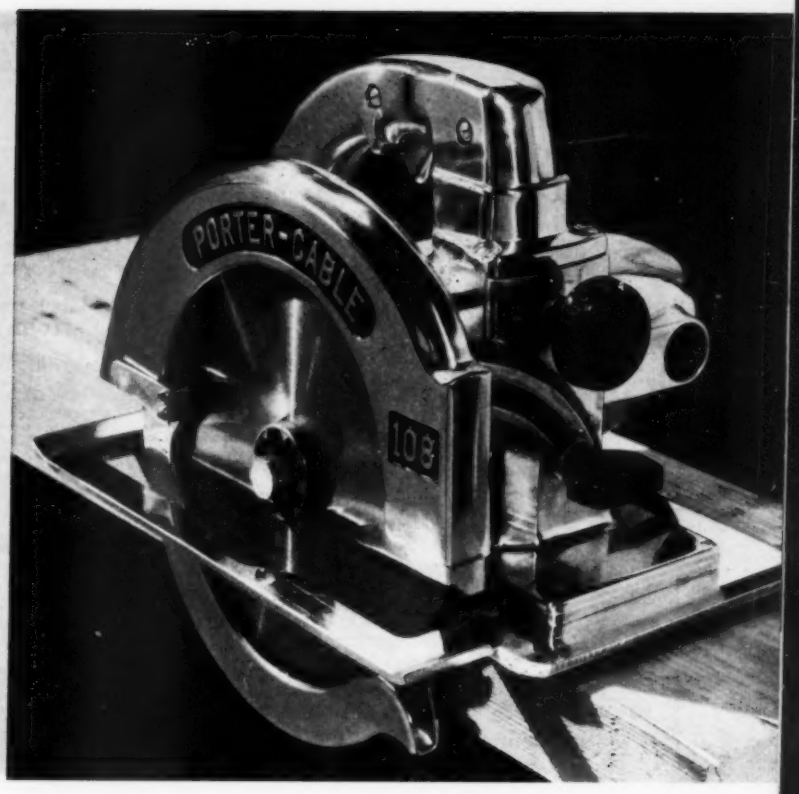
Industrial Design, 1954

THIS MONTH the Contemporary Design section is devoted to outstanding examples of recent work of members of the Society of Industrial Designers. Machines and products were selected from a much larger group appearing in *Industrial Design in America,* 1954, published last month by the Society of Industrial Designers. Designs appearing in the S.I.D. publication were carefully screened from hundreds submitted to select the most ingenious and outstanding.

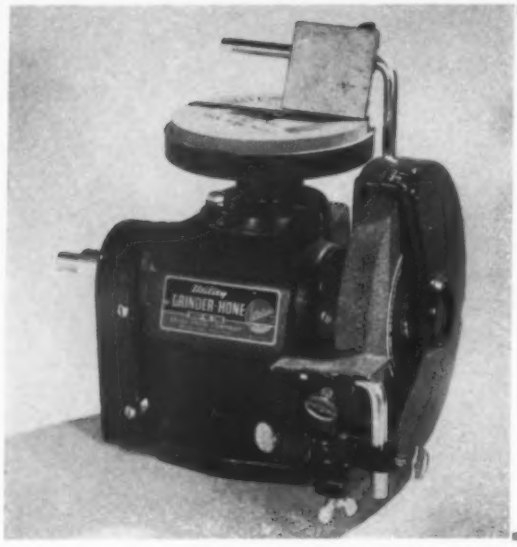
Many of these products were selected as outstanding on the basis of good appearance. However, many others merited inclusion because of redesign for better material usage, lower manufacturing cost, more convenient operation, or better product character or identification.

Die-cast aluminum housings contribute light weight and good appearance to Johnson's 5½-horsepower outboard motor. Quick-opening feature of the housings, said to be an innovation in outboard-motor design, is extremely useful when performing minor adjustments, cleaning spark plugs, etc. Recessed controls, pull starter and new motor rests are other functional improvements. Attractive appearance is obtained, color-wise, by using seafoam polychromatic green with natural aluminum, white lettering and red trim. Engine silencers on the carburetors help reduce noise level to a minimum. *Brooks Stevens and Associates.*

Convenience and ease of operation as well as safety were given every consideration in the design of the Porter-Cable 108, 8-inch portable circular saw. Careful design of the housing and placement of the controls and knobs resulted in a 13½-pound, easily used, well-balanced saw. A telescoping guard of improved design allows the saw to enter work smoothly, without jump. An auxiliary front blade guard reduces the number of exposed teeth, even on shallow cuts. A clutch protects operator, motor and gears in the event the saw binds in a cut. *Peter Muller-Munk Associates.*

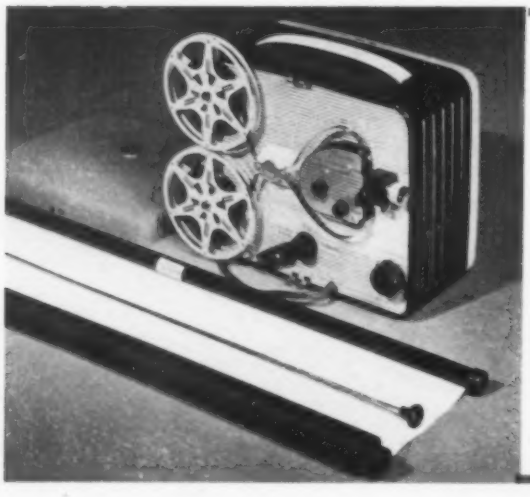


This Hoover vacuum cleaner utilizes a single die-cast cover into which the motor is inserted from the bottom. Housing contours were determined by basic requirements of nozzle width, bail clearance, switch access, etc. The main casting portion (nozzle cover) incorporates side, top and front cambers, and radii contrasts, to minimize apparent bulk while covering the required mechanism. Upper portion of the casting incorporates tapered cambered sides, cambered top and sweep-away curvatures to minimize apparent bulk and to implement the form of the lower main casting. These refinements were particularly important because only one finish could be applied to the entire cast structure. Front access cover, switch plate cover, belt guard and ball insert are made in a complementary gray color to accent the maroon housing. Circular trademark is placed on the front access cover for product identification purposes, as well as to relieve the relatively large flat area on front of the cover. *Henry Dreyfuss.*



An attractively styled workshop tool, the Atlas Press Co. grinder-hone will grind, hone, clean, polish, sand or buff. For operator convenience the oilstone, a 120-320 grit sandwich type, is simply lifted from its square shaft, turned over and replaced to change grit; there is nothing to loosen. *Palma-Knapp Associates.*

Soft gray crinkle finish and mat yellow enamels with black knobs, dials and escutcheons and accents of soft brushed aluminum hardware combine to make the R-5 GEDA six-channel recorder a pleasant piece of equipment for the operator to associate with over extended periods of time. The desk like console of the Goodyear recorder allows the operator to remain seated and provides ample storage and working space. Recording apparatus may be pulled out like a drawer, if desired. A safety catch prevents its being pulled out unless the lid is raised. All housing, chassis and external parts are designed to eliminate expensive tooling because production quantities are relatively small. *Smith and Scherr, S. I. D.*



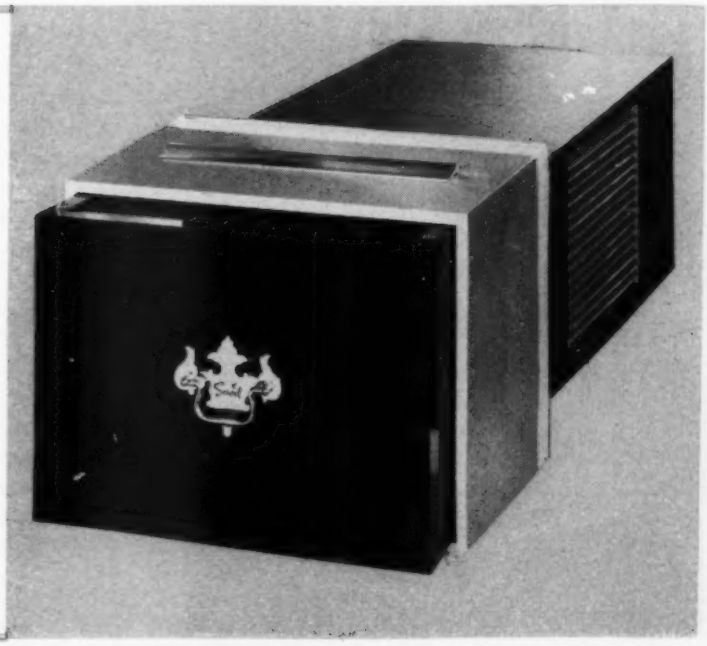
Inexpensive, and said to be the world's easiest projector to operate, Kodak's 8-mm Brownie movie projector provides a high-quality projected image. A single knob provides forward or reverse operation, stills, or rewind. An easily followed film path is printed on the plate behind sprockets to simplify threading. Indirect illumination of the sprockets allows threading in the dark. A removable side cover which can be easily snapped on or off, plus a nylon carrying handle on top of the projector, quickly convert the projector into a carrying case. *Eastman Kodak Co.*

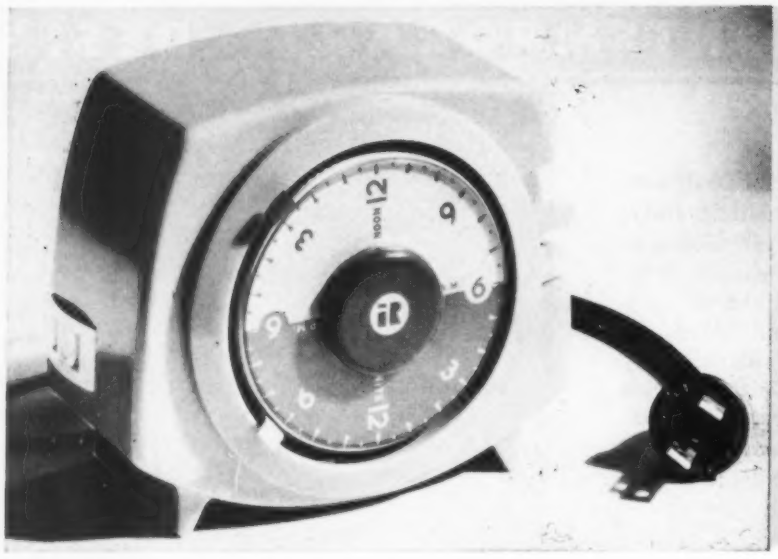
CONTEMPORARY DESIGN

Selected by the Society of Industrial Designers for exhibit at the Trienniale Fair, Milan, Italy, were this Hotpoint washer and dryer combination. Both units are controlled by simple dials. Pushbutton-controlled fluorescent light on each unit illuminate work surfaces and inside of washer tub. Electric clothes dryer controlled by automatic thermostat and adjustable timer dries clothes in sealed chamber, requires no outside venting, and does not discharge heat, moisture or lint into laundry room. *Raymond C. Sandin, S. I. D., Hotpoint Inc.*

Case of the Heyer Corp. *Conqueror* spirit duplicator is sheet metal, finished in metallic gray Hammerloid enamel. Chromium and maroon trim are used. Operating handle is die-cast aluminum and plastic. Visible fluid supply, easy-to-read counter and automatic print centering simplify operation. *Reinecke and Associates.*

Half as wide as the usual air conditioner, this 1954 Servel model is designed to fit casement windows. Cabinet is of furniture-finished polystyrene plastic. Mahogany-colored front contrasts with blonde sides. Novel feature is the control method. Pulling out the front to one of three positions provides ventilation, cooling and ventilation, or maximum cooling. *Don Dailey, S. I. D., Servel Inc.*





Gray Plaskon case and large legible face make the Intermatic Time-Alarm an attractive timing control for electrically operated devices. Integral feet allow it to be placed on shelf or table, and mounting holes in the back of the case permit wall mounting. Contrasting face colors eliminate the possibility of confusing morning and evening hours. *Waltman Associates.*

Staggered wheels allow contour cutting of uneven surfaces without damage to a lawn. Cost of the RPM rotary lawn mower is kept low by using aluminum die castings throughout. Appearance was improved by decorating styling of the foot treads on the housing which are used when cranking the engine. *Brooks Stevens Associates.*

Polished, plated and buffed parts of the weighing mechanism in Toledo industrial scales have traditionally been exposed to view. Skillful design eliminated polishing and plating costs and still produced an attractive mechanism by using cast decorative surface patterns and gray, blue and gold paint. Dial scroll or bezel was narrowed to permit more light to fall on graduations and figures, and to allow the dial to be read from a greater angle. Weighing head can also be revolved on the column to the best viewing position. Fabricated column encloses the loading box which was previously exposed at the end of the beams. Wheels are covered by the base skirt, permitting a larger weighing platform to be used with less floor space. *J. M. Little and Associates.*

CONTEMPORARY DESIGN

Compact, well-balanced and easily handled, the Millers Falls Co. ¼-inch electric drill is designed to appeal to professional or hobbyist. Die-cast aluminum frame, separator and gear case, and use of self-aligning bearings, almost entirely eliminate machining. Finish is hammertone gray enamel. *L. Garth Huxtable, S. I. D.*

Beige, cream and brown finish of the dynamically profiled housing, shaped to the mechanism it covers, give distinction and personality to National Cash Register Co.'s Model 21 register. Base provides a hand rest for the operator when making notations about sales. *Walter Dorwin Teague Associates.*

Design features of the new Apex "Bucket" cleaner include the recessed handle to decrease apparent height; centered weight for balance and portability; large hand-size bayonet-type clamps on each side for easy removal of top for access to dust bag; and placement of intake and exhaust outlets close together with interchangeable stop to fit both openings. Chrome top offers a hard, permanent finish to maintain a constant quality surface. Waist bumper protects body of cleaner and furniture from bumps and scars, and also covers the juncture of top bag housing and bottom motor housing. It is easily removed to provide access to screws for disassembly if repairs are necessary. *Dave Chapman, S. I. D.*

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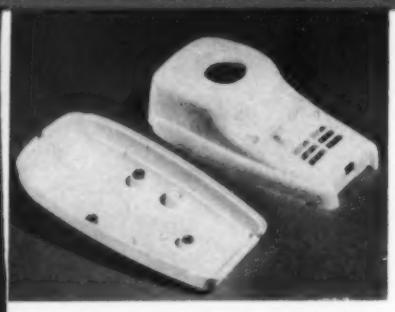
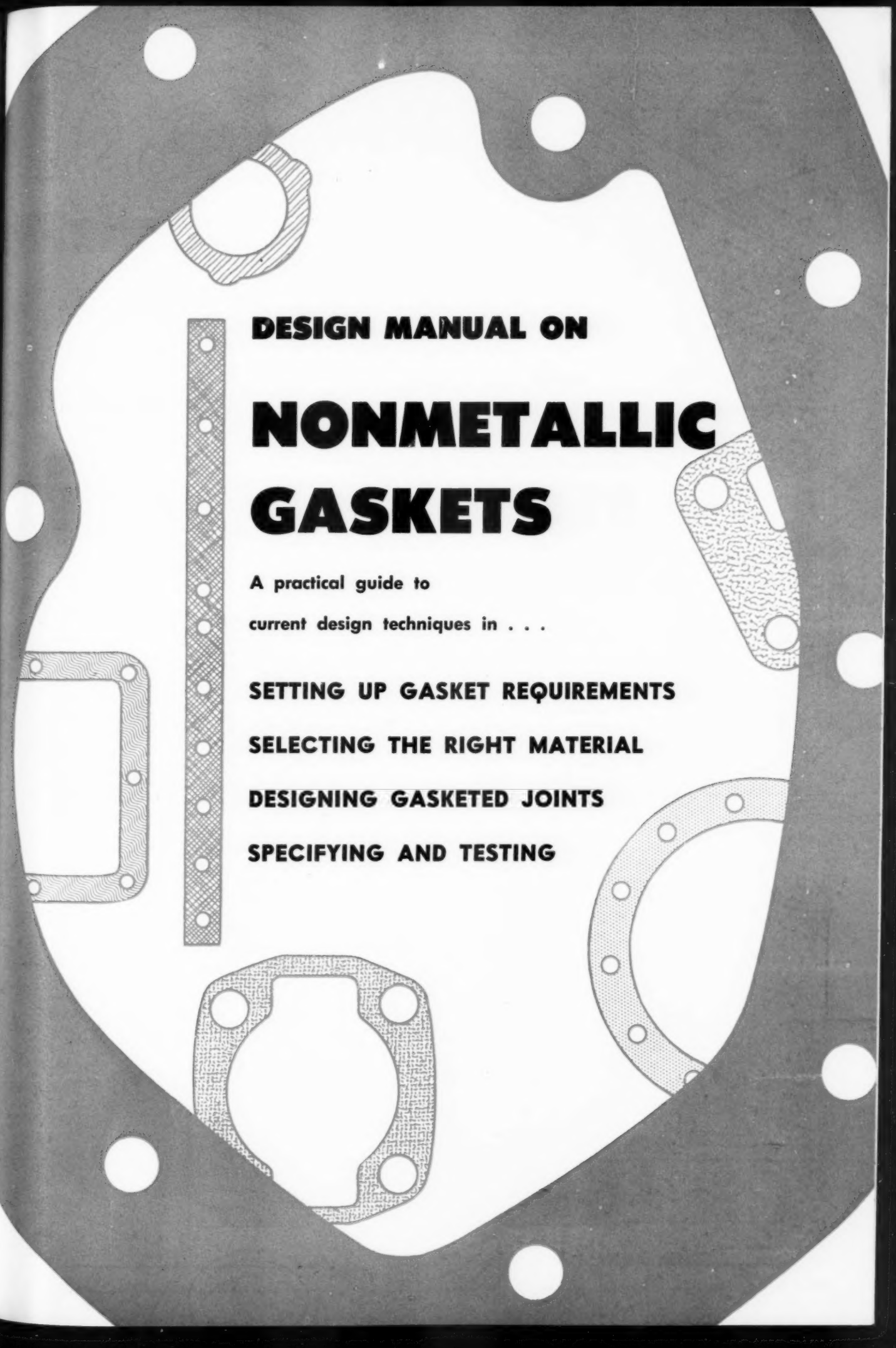


Handle and housing of G-M Laboratories Aro mixer is a two-piece cellulose - acetate molding with molded-in inserts for mounting motor and cooling fan. A coiled spring beater which mounts directly on the motor shaft can be held against the hand while running at full speed without causing discomfort or injury. Also, the beater will not snag fabrics or clothing which it may accidently contact. A simple bracket permits wall mounting, or the beater may be hand-held. *Palma-Knapp Associates.*

Visual identity has been built into the blower housing of the Briggs & Stratton engine so that it is recognizable on sight. Simple stampings for blower housing with integral grille and simplified gasoline tank results in lower costs. *Brooks Stevens Associates.*

Minimum turning radius, maximum visibility, driver comfort and convenience, and power plant accessibility, as well as appearance, were all musts in the design of the Hyster lift truck. *Henry Dreyfuss.*



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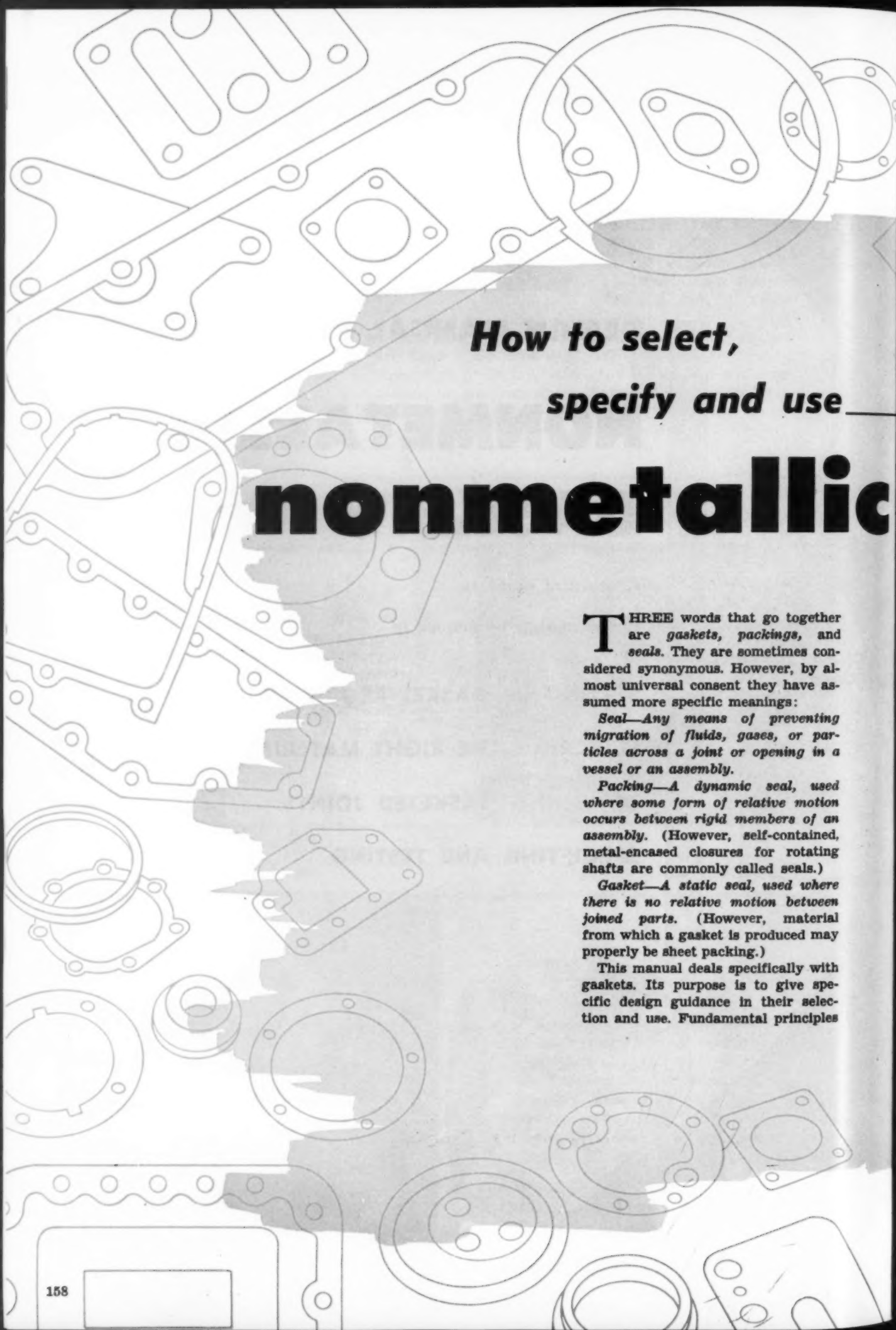


How to select, specify and use nonmetallic

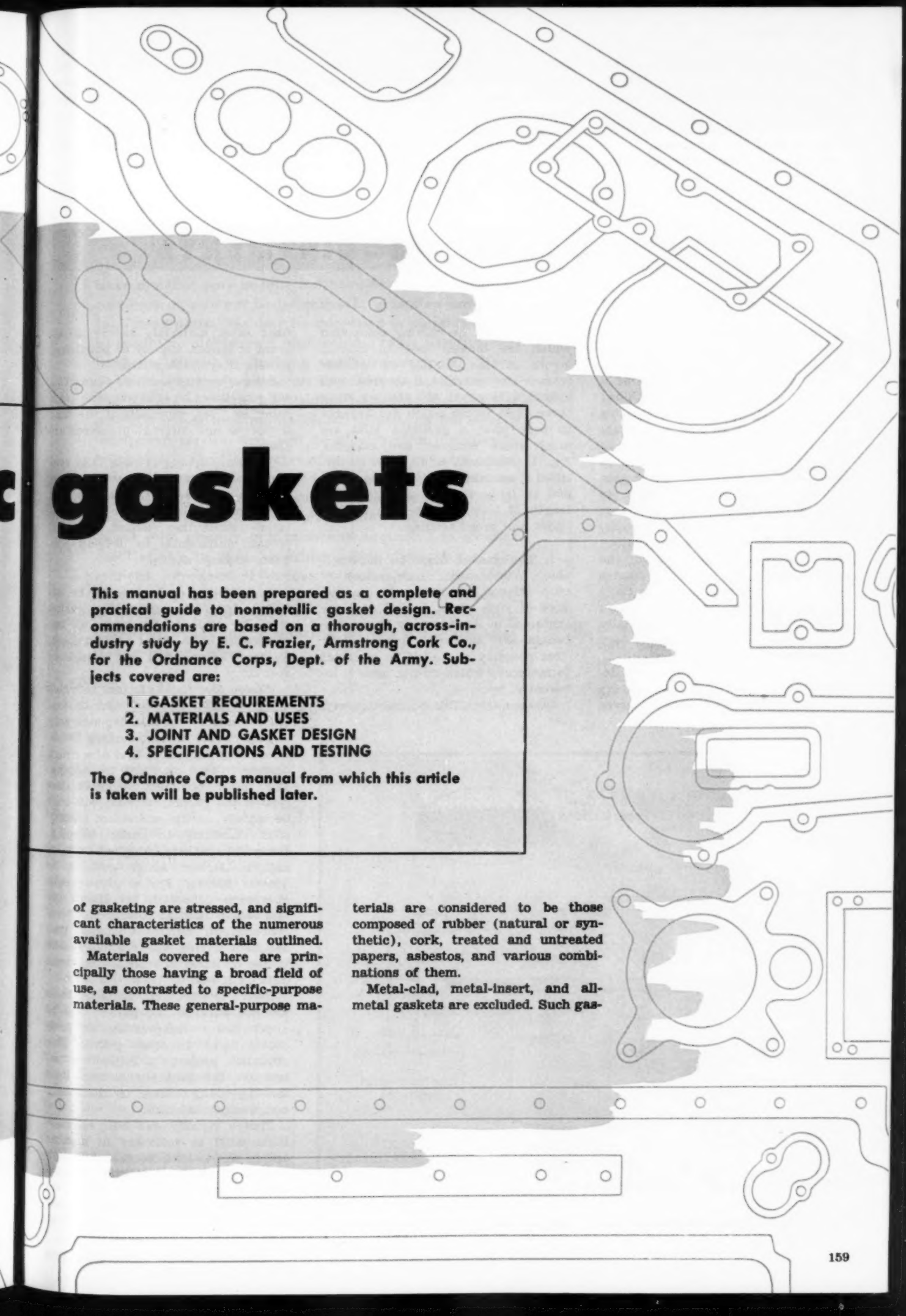
THREE words that go together are *gaskets, packings,* and *seals.* They are sometimes considered synonymous. However, by almost universal consent they have assumed more specific meanings:

Seal—Any means of preventing migration of fluids, gases, or particles across a joint or opening in a vessel or an assembly.

Packing—A dynamic seal, used where some form of relative motion occurs between rigid members of an assembly. (However, self-contained, metal-encased closures for rotating shafts are commonly called seals.)

Gasket—A static seal, used where there is no relative motion between joined parts. (However, material from which a gasket is produced may properly be sheet packing.)

This manual deals specifically with gaskets. Its purpose is to give specific design guidance in their selection and use. Fundamental principles



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This manual has been prepared as a complete and practical guide to nonmetallic gasket design. Recommendations are based on a thorough, across-industry study by E. C. Frazier, Armstrong Cork Co., for the Ordnance Corps, Dept. of the Army. Subjects covered are:

1. **GASKET REQUIREMENTS**
2. **MATERIALS AND USES**
3. **JOINT AND GASKET DESIGN**
4. **SPECIFICATIONS AND TESTING**

The Ordnance Corps manual from which this article is taken will be published later.

of gasketing are stressed, and significant characteristics of the numerous available gasket materials outlined.

Materials covered here are principally those having a broad field of use, as contrasted to specific-purpose materials. These general-purpose materials are considered to be those composed of rubber (natural or synthetic), cork, treated and untreated papers, asbestos, and various combinations of them.

Metal-clad, metal-insert, and all-metal gaskets are excluded. Such gas-

kets are usually employed for high pressures, high temperatures, or both. Complete engineering of such applications may present highly technical considerations which are not within the scope of this discussion.

For the most part, this discussion also excludes packings. An exception is O-rings. Since O-rings may perform the functions of ordinary flat gaskets as well as those of shaft or piston packings, they have been accorded treatment comparable to that given other gaskets.

Molded parts produced from rubber and plastics are very often called upon to perform a gasketing function. This manual stresses these functions without going into details of composition, parts design and molding.

GASKET REQUIREMENTS

A GASKET creates and maintains a tight seal between separable members of a mechanical assembly. A seal may be obtained without a gasket by perfect mating of machined or ground surfaces. However, this method is almost sure to be impractical except possibly for some small and very exacting assemblies in which cost is secondary to certain performance requirements. Even in such an assembly, rough handling, or corrosion or warping in service, may spoil the initial perfect mating and thus defeat the purpose of the design. Hence, the gasket promotes economy of effecting a seal initially and prolongs the useful life of an assembly. The gasket itself is usually inexpensive and lends itself to easy replacement.

In compensating for errors and irregularities in joined rigid members of an assembly, the gasket serves like the putty or calking compound which the builder uses to correct errors in the mating of window frames and exterior household wall openings. However, the analogy stops there since forces which are brought to bear upon a gasketed joint are much more complex and variable, *Fig.* 1. Conditions which must be satisfied if an initial seal is to be made, and if it is to last a satisfactory length of time, may be summarized under four broad headings:

1. The gasket must be impermeable. When under compression it must offer a true barrier to the passage of such gases or fluids as are contained in the assembly. Some materials are inherently impermeable. This property can often be imparted to materials which do not have it inherently, by:

Compression: This is effective with fiber sheet materials having a saturant or binder, usually of plasticized protein or synthetic rubber.

Saturation by the sealed fluid: This will sometimes be effective with plain paper or fiber, especially if the fluid is viscous and internal pressures are low.

Coating: Dipping of gaskets in synthetic rubber latex or cement, glue, or resin may be rather effective with cork composition and fiber sheet materials when they cannot be compressed sufficiently to develop adequate impermeability.

2. Complete contact must be effected. In some manner the gasket must be made to flow into all imperfections of the joint contact faces. Factors which must be considered are:

Flange face finish: Extent to which a gasket must flow in order to present an impervious seal depends very largely on the contact surface finish, which may vary from that of a rough casting to that produced by lapping. The latter obviously requires less flow of the gasket material, but may be unduly costly and exert insufficient resistance to gasket slipping. Generally speaking, rougher surfaces require thicker, softer gaskets—or heavier bolting. For a given depth of groove, concentric serrations will seal easier than the continuous spiral "phonograph" finish. A surface that has been planed and has tool marks in one direction is probably the most difficult to seal.

Errors of alignment: If flange faces are not parallel, the gasket will be under heavy compression at some points, light at other points. This obviously presents a difficult situation for the gasket and may limit the designer's choice to the easily compressed materials.

Flange rigidity and bolt spacing: Bolts must be sufficient in number and in size to load the gasket enough to flow it into irregularities. A beam effect is created between bolts, and more or less bowing occurs depending upon flange material and thick-

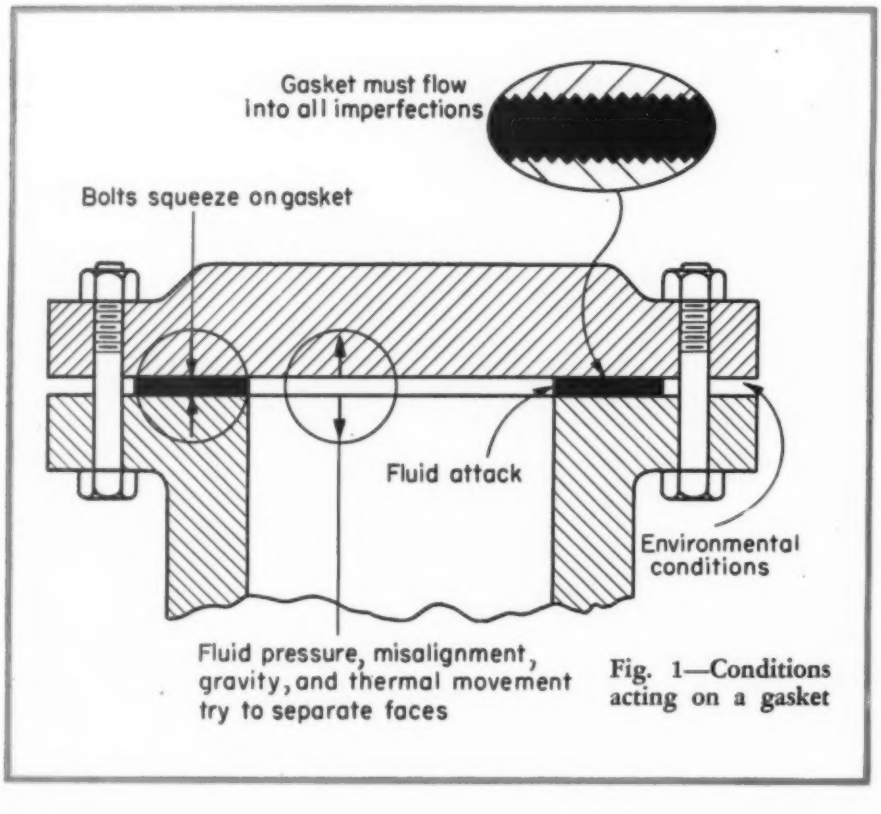

Gasket must flow into all imperfections
Bolts squeeze on gasket
Fluid attack
Environmental conditions
Fluid pressure, misalignment, gravity, and thermal movement try to separate faces

Fig. 1—Conditions acting on a gasket

On the gasket industry . . .

An outline of the trade channels through which gaskets can be obtained may be of interest. In general, gaskets are obtained in production lots from two sources:

Primary producers or processors: **Gaskets generally start out as sheets, rolls or blocks of manufactured or processed material. The manufacturer or processor of the base material may or may not have fabricating facilities, and may or may not be interested in accepting orders for fabricated parts. He may be interested in quantity orders as would be placed by a high-volume consumer; but may have no interest in servicing small requirements. However, these primary producers are likely to be best qualified to give technical information regarding the types of products which they manufacture. If they do not offer a fabrication service, they will be able to refer inquiries to fabricators. Most producers operate on a national scale.**

Fabricators: **Fabricators in the gasket business, also called gasket cutters, are usually independent local businesses of small or medium size. They buy sheet or roll goods from primary producers and specialize in offering quick service to those industries within their area of operations. Products of various gasket material manufacturers are generally stocked. Small orders can be handled to advantage, and deliveries can often be made with a speed which cannot be matched by any major producer from a distant plant.**

Ability of the gasket to follow all of these possible movements, and maintain thorough contact with the flanges, is determined by:

Elastic response of gasket: In low-modulus materials used in low-pressure, moderate-temperature joints, this is usually the prime factor in maintaining a seal.

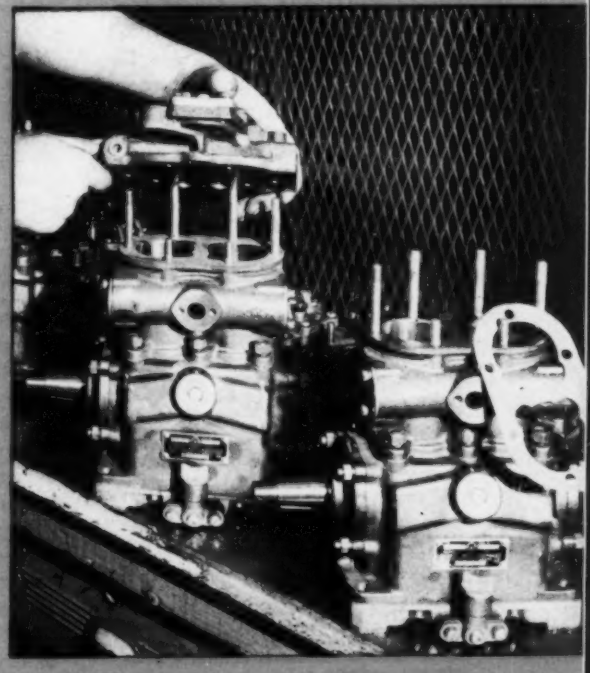
Edge effect of sealed fluid on gasket: Choice of a gasket which swells moderately in contact with the sealed fluid aids in assuring continued tightness of a joint. Conversely, a gasket which is not affected, or which shrinks at the exposed edge, may permit early failure of the joint. Principal precaution in taking advantage of this edge effect is to avoid a gasket-fluid combination which will lead to actual dissolving or extreme deterioration of the gasket, or harmful contamination of the fluid.

Elasticity of bolts and flanges: This factor must be relied upon for continuous tightness in high pressure, heavy-duty joints employing low-compressibility, high-modulus gaskets. In such joints the bolts are the resilient members relative to the joined members. The forces involved call for careful design and control through proper use of available aids to design. The designer must consider whether to use numerous light bolts closely spaced or fewer and larger bolts.

Keeping gasket positioned: If the gasket "walks out" of the joint, firm contact cannot be made. A high coefficient of friction or rough flange finish may be all that is necessary to avoid this condition. However, some applications may require mechanical confining and positioning means, such as grooves.

Gasket surface treatments: A thin coating of synthetic rubber on both sides of a hard fiber gasket flows easily into flange surface irregularities. Usually about 0.001-inch thick, this coating performs a different function than one applied to develop impermeability, and may be applied to the sheets before the gaskets are cut.

3. Complete contact must be maintained. Many gasketed joints are subject to considerable movement with changes of temperature and pressure, vibration and mechanical strain.



Air Compressor

Fiber is used as the gasketing material on cylinder heads of small Bendix - Westinghouse air compressors.

sign and assembly, such as the ASME *Unfired Pressure Vessel Code* covering design calculations, and the use of torque wrenches to help insure proper pull-up.

Adhesion of gasket to flanges: Gaskets of rubber, cork, and to some extent other materials, tend to adhere to flanges with time. Once this has occurred, worries regarding maintenance of gasket pressures are largely eliminated, since a strongly adherent gasket will hold quite high fluid pressures with very low residual flange pressures, and in the face of joint movements of considerable magnitude. Rubber cements and other adhesives may be deliberately employed to make adhesion more immediate and certain. However, an adherent gasket—regardless of how the adherence is effected—causes difficulty of separation. For this reason, many gaskets are treated with graphite or mica to inhibit the tendency to adhere.

4. The gasket must be compatible with its environment. A mutually agreeable relationship between the gasket and the conditions which bound it on all sides rests upon:

Temperature response: Composition of the gasket should be such that it will withstand the full range of temperatures for which the device or system has been designed. Gasket behavior at high temperatures is better understood than at extreme low temperatures, and the useful limits more accurately defined. Sustained high temperature causes accelerated aging of many materials and encourages creep or stress relaxation, in metallic as well as nonmetallic members of a gasketed joint. Extreme low temperature causes sluggishness and brittleness in most gasket stocks, and flexing may be possible only in the case of materials compounded for the condition. Gasket materials in general have a somewhat higher coefficient of thermal expansion than most of the metals from which flanges and bolts are made. In certain situations involving wide and rapid temperature fluctuations, this factor of relative expansion and contraction due to such temperature changes may require special design consideration.

Chemical inertness: Reaction between the gasket and the sealed substance may be highly beneficial if it shows up as moderate swell. Otherwise it can lead to destruction of the gasket and contamination of the material being handled. Also, staining and corrosion of flanges and nearby polished reflectors and contact points may occur.

Resistance to miscellaneous hazards: Ultraviolet light, vermin, ozone, salt spray, fungi, vibration, shock and general aging—these are some of the other environmental conditions that may challenge the resourcefulness of the design engineer.

Selection of a material for any gasket application hinges upon how well, and by what means, the proposed material can be made to meet these four basic requirements. Hence, these four requirements constitute a convenient basis for discussion and evaluation of the characteristics of the gasket materials reviewed in later sections.

From the foregoing, there is obviously no universal answer. For the most part, the designer "plays by ear" and is constantly having to check his calculations and reasoning against field experience. Every gasket material seems to find places in which it alone does an outstanding job; but no single material does an outstanding job in all kinds of applications. Therefore, the designer must examine materials' characteristics in relation to application demands.

GASKET MATERIALS AND USES

THERE are innumerable types, classes, styles and grades of gasket materials. New products and modifications of old products are introduced with astonishing frequency. Fortunately, nearly all materials can be grouped with others of like composition or properties:

1. Asbestos products
2. Cork-and-rubber
3. Cork composition
4. Rubber and plastics
5. Paper
6. Leather
7. Composite and miscellaneous gaskets

Properties and uses of each type are summarized in *Table* 1. Also of interest are treatments and coatings for gaskets, which will be covered.

Asbestos Products

Two types of asbestos fiber are important for gasket manufacture:

1. *Chrysotile:* This is common white asbestos. It is a mineral consisting essentially of magnesium silicate combined with approximately 14 per cent water of crystallization. It has little resistance in itself to the action of strong mineral acids, but may be used with weak acids and with most alkali solutions. When processed with binders such as rubber, the resistance of the resulting composition to corrosive agents and to temperature is determined by the nature of both the asbestos and the binder.
2. *Crocidolite:* More commonly known as blue asbestos, this material is a sodium-iron-silicate complex. It is chiefly used in the manufacture of acid-resistant gaskets.

Asbestos fibers have certain basic attributes which make them valuable for gasketing. They also have limitations, but since these vary considerably with the form in which the fibers are used, limitations will be discussed more specifically under the various product subdivisions. Properties which make asbestos a valuable gasket material are:

Heat resistance: Asbestos fibers retain most of their inherent strength up to about 750 F. Above that temperature, they tend to lose their water of crystallization, a process which becomes almost instantaneous at about 1300 F. Asbestos from which water of crystallization has been driven may be reduced to powder by slight rubbing. In practice, asbestos is seldom used alone or in its pure form and, therefore, actual heat resistance of products made with asbestos will be determined by heat resistance of all elements of the product.

Resistance to shear and compression: Asbestos gaskets and compositions in which asbestos fibers are used as fillers are usually excellent in their resistance to crushing loads and to the cutting action of narrow and sharp-edged flanges.

Dimensional stability: Being little affected by humidity changes, asbestos materials are quite stable dimensionally.

Ability to be combined with other products: Implications of necessity as

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well as virtue are involved here, because pure asbestos products are very low in strength and high in porosity. For this reason, asbestos is almost always used with other products. It may be processed with metallic or cellulose fibers for strengthening; with binders and saturants for greater imperviousness; and it proves a good mixer when added as a filler to rubber and plastic compounds.

Principal Asbestos Materials: Main types of asbestos gasket materials are:

Rubber-asbestos compositions: This includes "compressed asbestos" and several other forms of asbestos sheeting or composition in which the physical properties and general fields of application of compressed asbestos are duplicated quite closely. This is by far the most important classification commercially, as well as from the standpoint of varied application possibilities.

Woven and braided asbestos: Fibers may be processed into cloth and other special forms, softer than the compressed sheets and susceptible to saturation with special treatments.

Millboard and paper: These materials are relatively pure forms of asbestos fiber, bonded perhaps with starch or sulphites.

Rubber-Asbestos Compositions: Rubber-asbestos sheets vary somewhat in appearance according to the formula and process of manufacture, and whether pigmentation or some external after-treatment has been employed. The specific form known in the trade as compressed asbestos is made by calendering a dough of asbestos fibers and rubber cement. It has a pronounced grain effect, and close examination will usually reveal clumps of undispersed asbestos fibers. The resulting product is characteristically rather hard and unyielding. It is also tough and stable dimensionally.

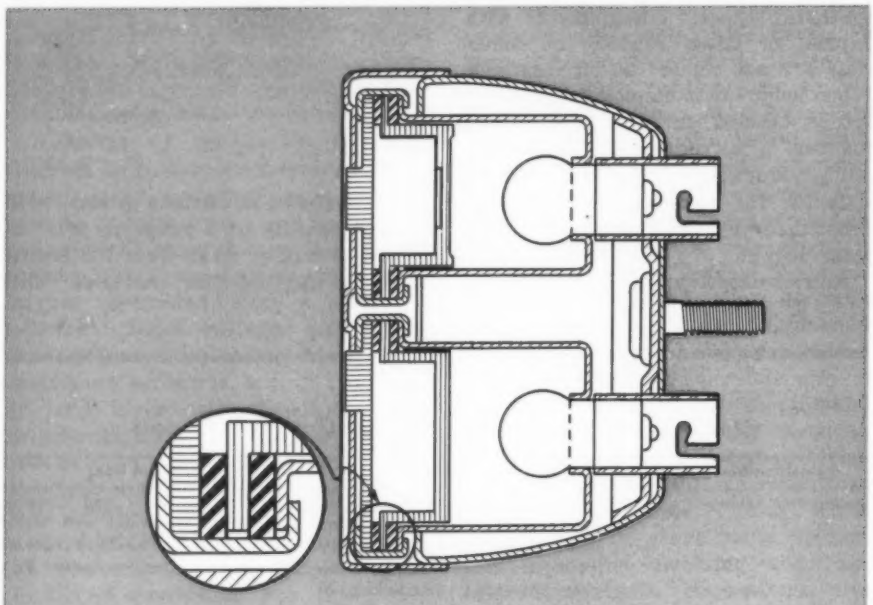
Several other methods of manufacture, including latex treatment of asbestos paper or impregnation of asbestos felt with a rubber solution, provide gasket materials having similar characteristics, although less hard and more resilient. Treatment of asbestos fibers with rubber latex prior to forming the sheet, a process commonly known as beater saturation, is a comparatively recent development which offers further advantages of a more homogeneous, nondirectional product of greater flexibility and resilience.

Compositions of rubber and asbestos may be made with natural rubber or with practically any of the synthetic types. When made with natural or GR-S rubber, the materials are not classed as oil resistant. When neoprene is employed, the product is classed as oil-resistant; and the use of nitrile rubber makes for still greater oil and aromatic fuel resistance. The rubber binder typically constitutes 10 to 25 per cent of the total weight.

Rubber-asbestos composition sheets are furnished in various grades, with the possibility of a range in price of 100 per cent or more from the lowest to the highest-cost material. This

Table 1—Properties and Uses of Gasket Materials

Classification	Special Characteristics	General Uses
Compressed Asbestos	Tough and durable. Dimensionally stable. Relatively incompressible. Good steam and hot water resistance. Oil and solvent resistance determined by characteristics of rubber binder.	Heavy-duty bolted and threaded joints, as in water and steam pipe fittings, manifold connections. Temperatures to 500 F.
Cork-and-Rubber	Provides fluid barrier and resilience with compressibility. Properties of flow versus compression subject to controlled variation. Lower tensile and elongation properties than rubber. Chemical properties about same as base polymers. Higher in cost than cork composition or fiber types, but lower than straight rubbers. Does not extrude from joint. Die cuts well. High coefficient of friction.	General-purpose gasketing, except steam lines, combustion chambers, etc. Enables design of metal-to-metal joints with gasket positioned in channel or counterbore, with no allowance for flow. High friction keeps gasket positioned even where closing pressure is not perpendicular to flange faces.
Cork Composition	General-purpose material. Variable as to binder, texture and hardness (density). Compressible. High friction whether dry, wet or oily. Low cost. Excellent oil and solvent resistance. Poor resistance to alkalies and corrosive acids.	Mating rough or irregular parts, as glass, light stampings, unfinished castings. Oil sealing at low cost in normal range of temperatures and pressures.
Rubber, Plastics	Highly adjustable according to compounding, hardness, modulus, fabric reinforcement, etc. Generally impervious. Not compressible.	Installations involving stretching over projections, or where flow of gasket into threads or recesses is desired. For lowest compression set and maximum resistance to fluids such as alkalies, hot water and certain acids. Ability to be molded permits use for special design and assembly conditions.
Paper:		
Untreated	Low in cost; noncorrosive.	Spacers, dust barriers, splash seals, where breathing and wicking not objectionable.
Treated	General-purpose material having better tensile strength than cork composition, but less compressibility. Good oil, gasoline and water resistance, but alternate wet and dry cycles may cause shrinkage and hardening of some types.	Machined or reasonably uniform flanges where adequate bolt pressures can be applied. Relative firmness and high tensile strength permit use of thin gaskets to give good alignment of covers and connected parts.
Leather	Tough; porous; abrasion-resistant; flexible at extreme low temperatures. Tanning and impregnation are important variables. Can be molded to simple shapes—cups, V's, U's.	Widely used in dynamic packing applications and as back-up for rubber O-rings in high-pressure joints. Avoid steam, acids, alkalies.
Combination Constructions	Innumerable modifications available, depending on materials used and methods of combining.	Usually employed for extreme conditions and special purposes.



Automotive Taillight

Gaskets for these automotive taillight lenses must be soft and highly compressible to compensate for irregularities in the plastic lens and stamped metal case. A sponged neoprene rubber-and-cork composition provides a weatherproof dust-tight seal and cushions the lens flange to prevent breakage during assembly of the lamp unit.

price differential is due to varying costs of the different types of rubbers used and also to the amount of mineral fillers employed. Care must be exercised in the selection of the proper grade for the job at hand.

FORMS AVAILABLE: Rubber-asbestos materials are almost invariably furnished in sheets, in rolls, or as die-cut parts. Standard types of compressed asbestos are formed on cylinders, from which they are stripped as 120 by 120 or 150 by 150-inch sheets. They are sold in these sizes or, more frequently, are cut to smaller segments, such as 40 by 40 or 50 by 50 inches. Those products available in continuous roll form are generally 24 inches or greater in width and are packaged in standard units such as 25 or 50 square yards. Usual thicknesses are $\frac{1}{32}$ and $\frac{1}{16}$-inch, although here again considerable choice is possible, with $\frac{1}{64}$-inch generally specified as the minimum. Maximum thickness is limited only by the practical considerations of good design and means of laminating and fabricating. It is difficult to conceive of any gasket application requiring a thickness in excess of $\frac{1}{4}$-inch.

COST FACTORS: Some manufacturers of rubber-asbestos composition sheets sell their product by the pound, while others price by the square yard. Since weights are likely to range from 3½ to 10 pounds or more per square yard in the $\frac{1}{16}$-inch thickness, it is essential to have a basis of converting from weight to area in order to make a proper comparison of competitive offerings.

Most grades are of intermediate cost compared with other materials; that is, they are more expensive than cork composition or vegetable fiber but generally less expensive than straight synthetic rubbers, resins, or plastics. Fabrication is almost always from sheets. Parts will usually be priced according to over-all size, subject in some cases to center allowances.

PROPERTIES AND LIMITATIONS: Compressed asbestos and other materials grouped with it form a versatile link between the so-called soft gaskets and the hard metallic or semimetallic types. They rate as follows when measured by the yardsticks outlined in the previous section:

Impermeability: Compressed asbestos is best used where bolting pressures are rather high, and under these conditions, there is sufficient compacting of the structure to make the material impermeable. Without high bolting stress, however, the clumps or pencils of undispersed asbestos may offer some conduction of the sealed fluids.

Achieving complete contact between gasket and flanges: Compared with more yielding gasket materials, compressed asbestos requires a relatively heavy load to achieve intimate contact with flange faces. There is a threshold pressure to which such a gasket must be subjected in order to achieve completeness of seating to hold even very light or atmospheric pressures. While this threshold pressure varies according to the flange finish, rigidity, bolt spacing, and the characteristics of the particular type of rubber-asbestos under consideration, it is likely to be in the order of 1500 psi on the area of the gasket. From this fact it is evident that the place for compressed asbestos is in relatively heavy, rugged constructions employing rigid flanges and adequate bolting capacity.

Maintenance of complete contact of gasket to flanges: Compressed asbestos has little elasticity. It does not have within itself those properties which cause a gasket to follow flange movements. How then does it keep on sealing heavy-duty flanges? Having so little compressibility, it forms a rather solid, inert filler between the flanges. Thus, after the bolts have been pulled up to the point where the gasket is well seated and has conformed to the irregularities of finish and alignment in the joint, it is scarcely more yielding than the metal components themselves. Continued tightening of the bolts then causes them to stretch.

Elasticity of these stressed bolts really provides the mechanism by which tightness of contact is maintained. In time, and particularly if high temperatures are encountered, sufficient creep will occur within the structure of the gasket and also within the bolts to permit a phenomenon variously described as stress relaxation, creep, cold flow, or stress decay. In other words, in time the bolts tend to become loose, and may need tightening. Compressed-asbestos gaskets are not notorious for adhering to flanges, but treatments, as with graphite, are often employed to prevent adhesion. If occasional or frequent separability of the joint is not contemplated, good results may be obtained by permitting adhesion to occur. Once this has happened, there is little likelihood of leakage occurring at the joint.

Compatibility between gasket and its environment: Chemical properties of compressed asbestos are largely the result of the type of rubber with

which it is compounded. Asbestos fibers are inherently more resistant to most chemicals than are cellulose fibers and, therefore, compressed asbestos is likely to be chosen over plant fiber types where acidic or alkaline conditions are encountered. However, in chemical processing especially, chemical resistance of asbestos may have to be examined in relation to the probability of contact with materials such as nitric acid.

Temperature resistance of compressed asbestos is a matter of varying opinion. Some do not care to use it much above 250 F, but most authorities regard 500 F as a conservative limit. There are those who say that the material can be used at 750 or even 850 F, but considerable caution is recommended when considering a product for such temperatures. Much depends upon what is expected of the gasket; that is, what is regarded as acceptable performance.

TYPICAL USES: As pointed out previously, rubber-asbestos is best used in relatively heavy flanges in which adequate bolt pressure is provided; where machining irregularities are not excessive; and where flanges are flat and rigid. These factors, together with its ability to stand temperatures as high as 500 F, make the material particularly valuable for the general run of pipe-flange applications such as encountered in oil refineries and chemical processing plants. It is considered satisfactory for either high or low-pressure water joints and in many oil and gasoline services, although this is contingent partly on the type of rubber with which the material has been compounded. It gives excellent service in contact with most ordinary industrial fluids, such as alcohol, glycerine, caustic solutions, and weak acids.

Because it is a highly stable material showing little response to changes in humidity and temperature, rubber-asbestos finds its way into many applications where plant fiber or other materials would perhaps seal more effectively or at lower flange pressures but which impose conditions tending to cause shrinkage or drying out of other fiber types. Some of the newer types of plant-fiber gasketing materials with nonextractable saturants may replace asbestos in many of these low-temperature, low-pressure applications requiring mainly that the gasket remain stable in dimensions and properties over a long period of time.

Woven and Braided Asbestos: Asbestos fibers may be spun into yarn, and the yarn woven into fabric or braided into various rope-like formations. For added strength without sacrifice of high temperature resistance, the yarn may be reinforced with metallic wire or strands. Cotton may also be used for reinforcement, but lowers the heat resistance. Braided styles are frequently impregnated with a lubricant and graphite treatment. Woven fabrics may be used plain, or may be frictioned with rubber, or saturated with latex or resin. Both blue and white asbestos fibers may be worked up into the forms described, although the blue asbestos is generally reserved for certain difficult acid applications.

FORMS AND USES: Braided materials are used for packing in stuffing boxes on reciprocating and rotating members to prevent leakage of water, oil, steam, etc. For these purposes, they are furnished either in the form of coils or split-wall rings. Woven fabrics may be die cut to various sizes and shapes, but the fabric is more likely to be rubber treated and folded and pressed to make rings, ovals, squares, and other shapes as required for applications like tube plates of boilers. Tape, also made from folded cloth, is used for gasketing of steam cylinder heads, heater doors, and other power-plant applications. Asbestos fabric is also formed into continuous-length tubular gasketing and used for steam service, hand holes, manholes, heater doors, etc. Most types of woven and braided asbestos packing and gasketing materials as described above are "catalog" items offered by numerous supply distributors for power plant and factory maintenance. They are not generally associated with factory-assembled, mass-produced items, but there is no reason why they cannot be so used if they happen to fill a particular need better than some of the more commonly used products.

Millboard and Paper: Little more needs be said regarding this type. In gasket manufacturing, the principal use for asbestos millboard and paper is as soft fillers for metal-jacketed or other reinforced constructions. Automotive cylinder-head gaskets are one of the most important uses.

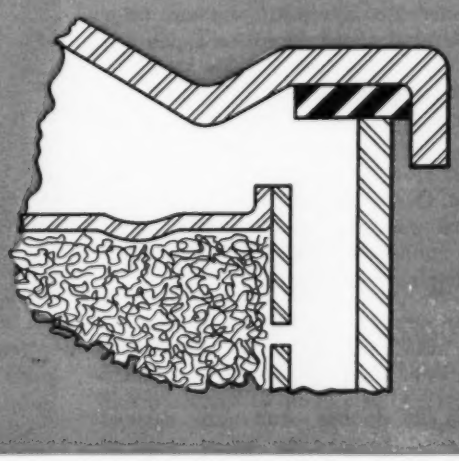
Cork-and-Rubber

Cork and rubber are materials of very different attributes. Cork is compressible; application of a load causes a reduction in volume with negligible flow. Its response to pressure is essentially pneumatic. It has excellent recuperation characteristics, as anyone who has uncorked and recorked a bottle will recognize. Rubber, on the other hand, is incompressible; it is hydraulic in its response to applied pressure. By combining the two materials, a resultant product is obtained which has many of the best qualities of both components.

Compressibility and flow characteristics can be controlled, *Fig.* 2, and combinations produced which are nearly as compressible as cork, or almost as incompressible as straight rubber. This characteristic is determined largely by the relative quantities of

Oil Filter

A Buna S rubber gasket seals the cover of this automotive oil filter. Good oil resistance and resistance to cutting action of the narrow flange are requirements met by a compound with a Shore A hardness of 90. Rings of the material can be lathe-cut economically from tubes.



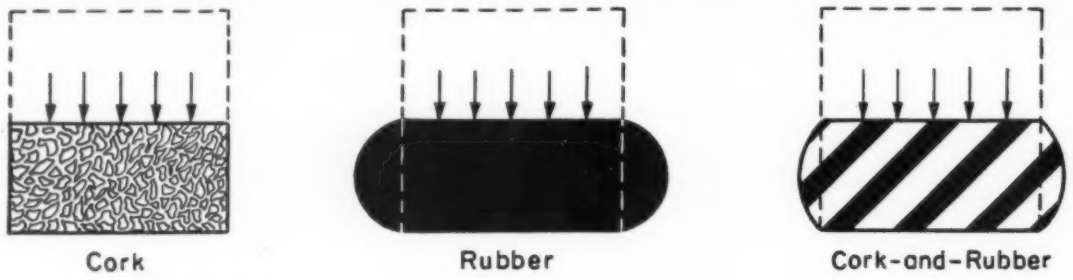


Fig. 2—Difference in compressibility among cork, rubber, and cork-and-rubber. Cork is compressible and does not flow laterally; rubber is noncompressible and flows laterally; cork-and-rubber properties can be adjusted

granulated cork to rubber, but is also affected by size of the cork granules.

Cork is almost completely unaffected by petroleum derivatives and may contribute a quality of inertness and resistance to swell. It is little affected by age, helping preserve the life and properties of a combination material. Additionally, the high frictional qualities of cork are largely retained in a combination of cork and rubber.

Cork-and-rubber materials are usually mottled, the mottling being fine or coarse, pronounced or subdued, depending on the amount and type of cork used. In most such materials, rubber is the continuous phase of the composition, the cork being present as a filler, although in many cases the proportion of cork is at least equal to that of rubber by weight. The compositions are either neutral or pigmented, or may contain carbon black and other fillers and compounding ingredients which may affect appearance.

Composition: Cork-and-rubber gasket materials are vulcanized compounds of natural or synthetic rubber and conventional rubber compounding ingredients in addition to cork. Of the synthetic rubbers, the GR-S, nitrile, and neoprene types are most generally used. Choice of polymer influences chemical properties of the resulting compound, but in all cases the physical property of controlled flow or compressibility is retained. Due to its organic nature, cork can be combined most readily with those rubbers which cure at moderate vulcanizing temperatures.

Available Forms: Cork-and-rubber is most generally furnished as sheets split from blocks. A standard size is 36 by 36 inches, and any desired thickness from 1/32 to ½-inch or more may be obtained.

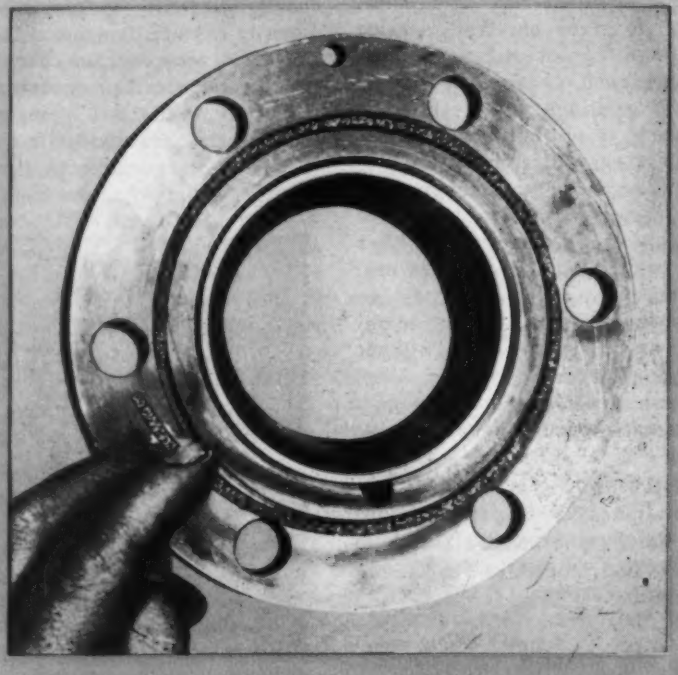
Various styles of tape and ribbon are available. One useful variety is a chemically blown cork-and-rubber material with fabric reinforcing back, to which is applied a pressure-sensitive adhesive.

To a limited extent, cork-and-rubber materials can be extruded, usually in tube form as a preliminary step to the cutting of washers or rings. Tubes can also be made by wrapping and curing the material on a mandrel.

It is entirely practical to mold many sizes and shapes in cork-and-rubber compounds. However, the characteristic properties of the combination are best preserved by die cutting or machine shaping from

Two-Speed Axle

Cork composition is used as a seal for this pinion-bearing cage in an Eaton two-speed axle because of its compressibility. A narrow groove cut in the flange face permits metal to metal contact of the cage and housing for proper spacing with correct gasket deflection. Relief for side flow of the gasket is not needed.



blocks and sheets. Cork-and-rubber lends itself to die cutting and machine finishing operations, and these are the most generally used methods of fabrication.

Cost Factors: Since considerable variation is possible in proportion of cork to rubber, and in type of rubber employed, the price range for cork-and-rubber materials in sheet form is likely to be rather wide. For example, a composition of reclaim rubber and cork will cost very much less than a specification material made with one of the higher-priced synthetic rubbers. Cork-and-rubber is generally higher priced than cork composition and vegetable-fiber sheet packings, and about the same or a little lower than the higher-grade rubber-asbestos compositions. Its cost is usually lower than that of high-quality straight-rubber sheets, based on the same polymer.

Fabrication factors may affect cost comparisons with other materials. Where the parts involved are plain rings, they may be made more cheaply from cork-and-rubber by slicing from tubes than by die cutting from cork-composition or vegetable-fiber sheets. Compared with straight rubber gaskets, cork-and-rubber gaskets may be less expensive, depending upon quantity; the material lends itself to die cutting and machine finishing at rates which may be more favorable than individual molding with straight rubber.

Properties and Limitations: Using the same yardsticks as previously outlined, cork-and-rubber rates as follows:

Imperviousness: Since the rubber binder is the continuous phase of these materials, they are essentially impervious to gases and liquids. Some porosity may be experienced in a part having a thin, delicate cross section, but assuming that no such special condition exists, imperviousness of cork-and-rubber is inherent and does not need to be induced by compression.

Achieving complete contact between gasket and flanges: Cork-and-rubber requires virtually no pressure to promote intimacy of contact between gasket and flange faces. It compresses easily and flows into irregularities effectively under light pressures.

Maintenance of complete contact of gaskets to flanges: This is a function of the elastic and frictional properties of most cork-and-rubber compounds. A cork-and-rubber gasket stays put in a joint, even when oil or other lubricant is present, because the material does not flow or extrude appreciably, and the cork granules which are exposed at the surface resist sliding on the flange. Elasticity of the material is quite good at normal temperatures, although some compression set will occur at elevated temperatures and under prolonged pressures. Cork-and-rubber will usually become strongly adherent to meal flanges in the course of time, and as has been pointed out before, this is highly beneficial in keeping a tight joint.

Compatibility between gasket and its environment: Chemical properties of cork-and-rubber are largely the result of the type of rubber with which it is compounded. Cork is organic and should not be used under strongly alkaline or acidic conditions, but it withstands all petroleum products and most other solvents quite well. Cork-and-rubber materials are likely to swell a bit in contact with aqueous solutions, but this is primarily a matter of mechanical release of forces of compression in the cork granules which occur during manufacture. It is not usually an indication of deterioration.

Temperature resistance of cork-and-rubber is about the same as for other organic gasket materials; that is, it is best used at temperatures below 160 F. In some cases, it may perform satisfactorily in the range of 250 F and materials compounded with some of the new synthetic rubbers based on polyacrylic esters may be used at temperatures in excess of 300 F.

Typical Uses: Where the high distensibility of straight rubber is not required, or where alkaline conditions are not encountered, cork-and-rubber can do many of the jobs usually associated with rubber, often at lower cost, and it will do practically any of cork compositions' characteristics jobs better, but probably at a little higher cost. The wide range of usefulness of cork and rubber is indicated by several representative examples:

Metal-to-metal joints: In order to preserve close tolerances and alignment of internal parts, and also to avoid overstressing the gasket, it is often desirable to bring joints together metal-to-metal. This can be done by providing a groove for the gasket in one member. Cork-and-rubber is excellent for this kind of flange design and requires no allowance for side flow.

Joining light or fragile members: Automotive tail lamps exemplify a service involving compensation for rather wide tolerances and irregularities, and cushioning action more than outright sealing. This application generally involves the gasketing of a joint between a glass or plastic lens and a metal stamping forming the reflector or the housing for the complete unit. The cork-and-rubber material generally used here is chemically blown for extra softness. This application also uses conventional cellular rubber, which is still softer. However, the cork-and-rubber gasket is usually more rigid and may be easier to handle for rapid assembly.

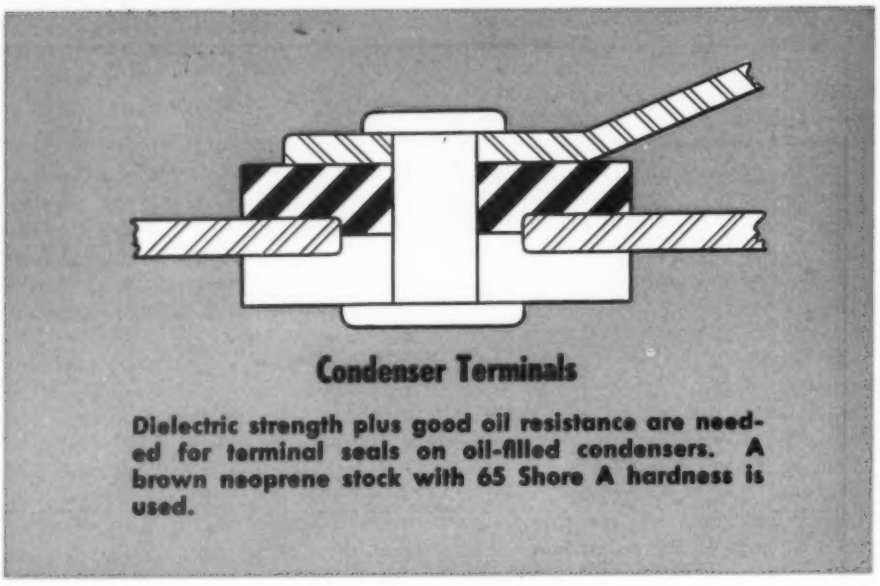
Joining heavy, irregular members. Electrical transformer cover and bushing gaskets provide an example of a heavy-duty, long-time installation. Also, tolerances are rather wide, since this construction is rugged and massive. Cork and neoprene has been a widely used material for this service. It resists the effects of climatic conditions on the outside, and effects of insulating oils on the inside. These gaskets are often deliberately cemented in place to take advantage of the permanent tightness and the come-and-go with temperature changes which is possible when the gasket adheres to the flanges.

Joints for fuel and solvent resistance: The flanges connecting airplane fuel cells and wing tanks require gaskets with high fuel and solvent resistance. A cork and nitrile rubber composition has been considered standard for this service for some years. The particular grade generally favored is that meeting the requirements of specification MIL-G-6183, Class I, firm.

Cork Composition

Structure of cork is cellular rather than fibrous, accounting for its unique properties. These very minute cells contain air, are surrounded by a membrane of cellulose, and are cemented together by a natural resin. Application of pressure merely compresses the air within the cells, and deformation is almost entirely in the direction of the applied pressure.

Besides this interesting property, the material is noncapillary, light in weight, does not deteriorate with age, is economically inert, and has a high



Condenser Terminals

Dielectric strength plus good oil resistance are needed for terminal seals on oil-filled condensers. A brown neoprene stock with 65 Shore A hardness is used.

coefficient of friction. In its natural, unprocessed state cork is highly variable in texture, quality and size. Hence, it is best used in combination with other materials, as in the cork-and-rubber compounds previously described, or in the form of compositions.

Cork compositions are made by combining graulated cork with a suitable binder under heat and pressure. The principal variables, which are manipulated to produce different types and grades, are:

Granule Size: This is a factor of little importance in determining physical property differences. Screen limits vary with different manufacturers with the objective of obtaining maximum yields of desired particle sizes from the grinding operation.

Binder: In a typical gasket composition, proportion of cork to binder is approximately 70/30 by weight. Binders are generally plasticized protein (glue-glycerine) or resin. Rubber cements and latexes are sometimes used, but the protein and resin types are by far the more popular. Protein binder materials are generally favored, since they are more permanently flexible and stable in compression properties and dimensions. Resin binders are more resistant to fungus and weather exposure. They also resist acids better.

Density: Weight per cubic foot is determined by the amount of loose mixture of cork and binder that is compressed within a given mold size. After the material is set to the size to which it has been compressed, it has acquired the characteristic density which was planned for it, along with certain other characteristics which follow density quite closely. These other characteristics are principally tensile strength and compressibility, the former varying directly with density and the latter inversely. Densities of gasket compositions range from approximately 14 to 30 pounds per cubic foot. Materials running as low as 10 or 12 pounds per cubic foot and as high as 40 pounds per cubic foot have been made for special applications.

Cork composition is light tan or buff in color. That the material is essentially a mass of granules cemented together by a binder is generally evident from the appearance of the sheet. However, grades made with extremely fine granulated cork may look quite homogeneous.

Cork composition is sometimes miscalled corkboard. The latter is a reddish-brown, lightweight, boardy material used for low-temperature insulation. It is friable in thin sections and is quite unsuited for gaskets. Natural resins, activated by the high baking temperature, are the sole binding agent in corkboard. Cork composition, on the other hand, is always compounded with added binder.

Forms Available: Since cork does not flow under pressure and requires the application of considerable heat to accomplish relaxation of the cells and to set the binder, it is economical to mold cork only into the simplest of shapes. Industry practice is to form it into mats or blocks several inches thick, from which sheets of any desired thickness may be split by means of a band knife. Sheet sizes vary among several manufacturers, but are quite generally in the range of 6 to 12 square feet.

Cork composition gaskets are generally produced by die cutting, usually with simple wood-backed steel-rule dies. Shapes which are not susceptible to die cutting may be produced by some combination of machine finishing operations, including sawing, slicing, sanding, grinding, boring and drilling. Some manufacturers have developed techniques for the production of wheels, ribbon, tubes, rods, logs, and even continuous sheet or roll goods, but these forms are usually for specific purposes other than gaskets.

Cost Factors: Cork composition is the cheapest of the efficient, soft gasketing materials. Plain paper and rag felt may cost less, but are not suitable for many of the same applications. Density is the most important variable affecting the cost of the prime material.

Fabrication losses may affect the cost relationship between cork and other materials. For example, rubber or cork-and-rubber produced as a tube and sliced into rings may lead to a lower cost for the finished ring than fabrication from solid sheets of cork. For another example, it is rarely practical to use cork in a thickness less than 1/16-inch, whereas fiber gaskets may often serve the same application in a thickness of 1/32-inch. This may occasionally alter the normal cost relationship in favor of the fiber.

Properties and Limitations: Cork composition rates as follows:

Imperviousness: When engaged in sealing fluids, cork composition is sufficiently impervious to hold moderate pressures. However, when dry it may be slightly permeable to air or gases, due to the presence of minute voids between granules which have not been entirely closed by the forming or flange pressures.

Effecting complete contact with flange surfaces: Cork rates well in this respect, being a soft, conformable material which exhibits little if any side flow when compressed.

Maintenance of contact: Cork is a very resilient material and keeps pushing back against the applied pressure over a long period of time. This action is favored by the swelling action of most fluids on the sealing edge of the cork gasket. This tendency to swell when wet is really a release of the forces of compression created at the time the granules were originally compacted in forming the composition. Sustained high temperatures in excess of 160 F tend to produce a condition of permanent set, but the material as a rule remains resilient and able to continue functioning as a gasket.

Compatibility with environment: Cork composition is unaffected by oils and aromatic solvents. It does not take sustained contact with water too well and is rather readily disintegrated by alkaline solutions. Plasticizers are likely to be extractable in water, and cycles of alternate wetting and drying produce pronounced shrinkage and hardening.

Temperature response of cork composition is just about the same as that of any organic material. It should not be used at temperatures in excess of 160 F. It becomes hard and unyielding at subzero temperatures, but is not permanently affected by exposure.

Because of contained moisture and inherent acidity, cork compositions may encourage corrosion in aluminum and magnesium alloys, and to some

extent in stainless steel. Fungus resistance of cork composition is very poor if the material is made with protein binder; fairly good if the binder is a phenolic resin. Protection is possible by suitable external treatments of finished parts. Fungicides incorporated into the binders do not penetrate the cork granules and, therefore, do not protect cut surfaces.

Typical Uses: Because of its combination of softness and resistance to liquid penetration, and its compressibility, cork composition is suited for many mass-production applications involving the mating of rather irregular surfaces where temperatures are moderate and internal pressures are low. The automotive and affiliated industries consume more cork gaskets than any other. Cork gaskets are valuable in applications involving widely spaced bolts and light construction, in which bowing is inevitable. Another type of application where cork is often used is the joining of glass or ceramic parts to metal. Tolerances are very wide in such assemblies, and cork can be helpful in providing a shock-absorbent cushion for the glass and ceramic components.

Rubber and Plastics

Because of the many existing reference works on natural and synthetic rubbers and plastics, no attempt is made here to discuss them except from the standpoint of their specific adaptation to gasketing.

Rubber Used for Gasketing: General properties and special characteristics of natural rubber and of the synthetic rubberlike materials important in gasket work are shown in *Table* 2. Each rubber, however, has certain characteristics worthy of further comment.

CRUDE OR NATURAL RUBBER: Petroleum oils and fuels are natural enemies of crude-rubber compounds, causing them to swell and soften. Excessive swell is also produced by turpentine, carbon bisulfide, chloroform, and carbon tetrachloride. Vegetable oils, on the other hand, cause only moderate swelling, while glycerine, ethylene glycol and plain water cause negligible volume increase. Vulcanized compounds can be made to resist moderate concentrations of most inorganic acids, alkalis, and inorganic salts. Natural-rubber compounds will withstand continuous heat up to 160 F, although surges of intermittent exposure to 250 F may be tolerated quite well. Low-temperature flexibility is good at minus 65 F.

BUTYL RUBBER: This copolymer of isobutylene and isoprene shows excellent resistance to vegetable oils and to dilute organic acids and alkalis. Its high resistance to gas permeation accounts for many of its applications, such as gas masks and automobile tire inner tubes. Operating temperatures range from about minus 65 to 250 F. However, the vulcanizates of butyl rubber are inferior with respect to compression set and lacking in solvent resistance. It is not an important raw material to the gasket industry.

STYRENE TYPE: This general-purpose rubber is known in Europe, and to some extent in this country, as Buna S, and is also known here as GR-S. It is a copolymer of butadiene and styrene, and in general employs the same compounding ingredients

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Table 2—Properties of Commercial Synthetic Rubbers*

Property	Natural Rubber	Butadiene (Buna-S; Styrene GR-S)	Butadiene (Buna-N) Acrylonitrile Low Swell	Butadiene (Buna-N) Acrylonitrile Hi Swell	Neoprene Type GN	Neoprene Type W	Butyl	Thiokol Type PR-1	Thiokol Type ST	Silicone Rubber	Polyacrylates
Specific Gravity (pure gum)	0.92	0.94	0.98	0.98	1.23	1.23	0.92	1.34	1.34	0.98	1.1
Tensile Strength (psi, max)											
Pure gum	3000	400	600	600	3500	3500	3000	300	300	200–450	...
Black reinforced	4500	3000	3500	3500	3500	3500	3000	1500	1500	...	2500
Elongation (%, max)	700	500	600	600	600	600	700	400	400	300	500
Tear Resistance	3	4–5	4	4	3	3	3	4–5	4–5	4	4
Aging Resistance:											
Ozone	4	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Oxidation	3–5	3–5	3–5	3–5	1–3	1–3	1–3	1–3	1–3	1	2
Heat	3–4	3–4	3	3	2	2	3	5	5	1	1
Static (shelf life)	3	3	3	3	2	2	1	3	3	1	2
Compression Set Resistance	3	3	2	2	4	3	3–4	5	5	1	3–5
Oil Resistance:											
Low aniline	5	5	1	3	4	4	5	1	1	5	1
High aniline	5	5	3	1	3	3	5	1	1	3	1
Gasoline Resistance:											
Aromatic	5	5	5	3	5	5	5	1	1	5	1
Nonaromatic	5	5	4	1	3	3	5	1	1	5	1
Acid Resistance:											
Dilute (under 10%)	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	4	4	4	4
Concentrated (except nitric and sulfuric)	3–4	3–4	3	3	4	4	1	4	4	4	4
Alkali Resistance:											
Dilute (Under 10%)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	5	4	5
Concentrated	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	5	5	5	5
Low Temperature Resistance	3	3	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	1	5
Impermeability to Gases	4	4	4	4	3	3	1	3	3	3	3
Water Resistance	3	2	2	2	4	4	3	4	4	4	5

* Code for main part of table: 1—excellent; 2—very good; 3—good; 4—fair; 5—poor.

and fabrication methods, and vulcanizes in about the same manner, as natural rubber.

ACRYLONITRILE TYPE: Often shortened to "nitrile rubber," this type is also known as Buna N in Europe and by a variety of trade names in this country. It is a copolymer of butadiene and acrylonitrile. The vulcanizates have good physical and heat-resistant properties and are characterized by extraordinary resistance to the swelling action of petroleum oils, fuels and solvents. Nitrile-rubber compounds also have the interesting property of being resistant to the natural forces of adhesion which often cause rubber to adhere to adjacent metal parts.

CHLOROPRENE TYPE: More generally known as neoprene, this rubber is a polymer of chlorobutadiene. It can be compounded, fabricated, and vulcanized like natural rubber, but requires no sulphur to effect vulcanization. It is easier to handle than the acrylonitrile types, and the products are stronger and more resistant to ozone and corona, although not quite so good in respect to oil, fuel or heat resistance.

POLYSULFIDES: Marketed under the name "Thiokol," these rubbers can be compounded, fabricated, and vulcanized, although with more or less difficulty. They are more thermoplastic and less heat resistant than other synthetics, and are characterized by strong odors. However, they have the best overall solvent resistance of the commercially available rubbers, although no superiority over natural and GR-S is evident in polar fluids.

SILICONES: The silicones are in a class by themselves among rubber materials when it comes to heat stability and low-temperature flexibility. They also possess excellent dielectric properties and good oxidation and outdoor weathering resistance. Silicone rubber has good resistance to high aniline-point oils, but reacts unfavorably with oils of low aniline point and with aromatic and nonaromatic gasolines. It deteriorates if used in contact with steam under pressure. Silicone rubber is somewhat lower than others in tensile strength, tear resistance, ultimate elongation and abrasion resistance. Therefore, usefulness of silicone rubber is generally considered as being limited to static sealing applications, and where its wide operating temperature range (from about −100 to +400 F) is needed. A special virtue of silicone rubber is that it does not stick to metal surfaces at high temperatures and, while in many of its physical and chemical properties it is quite similar to the fluoroethylene thermosetting resins, it is actually more like a true rubber in its compression and extensibility characteristics, and in its ability to be molded and vulcanized to special shapes.

Specifications: Two specifications, MIL-R-3065 and MIL-C-3133 covering solid and cellular rubber compounds respectively, have been found useful in that they permit the complete description of a desired rubber compound by the identifying symbol developed from a table of physical property requirements along with suffixes denoting special requirements. When properly used, they are valuable instruments, but if the user is not conversant with the properties and limitations of rubber compounds, his experience with these specifications may be unfavorable, for several reasons.

First, a virtually limitless number of compounds could be called for by specifying various combinations of properties, whereas the rubber compounders must limit their operations to a manageable assortment. Hence, a chosen compound may not be available commercially or may be available only from a specialist.

Also, it is quite possible to combine properties and special requirements into a designation covering a material which cannot be made.

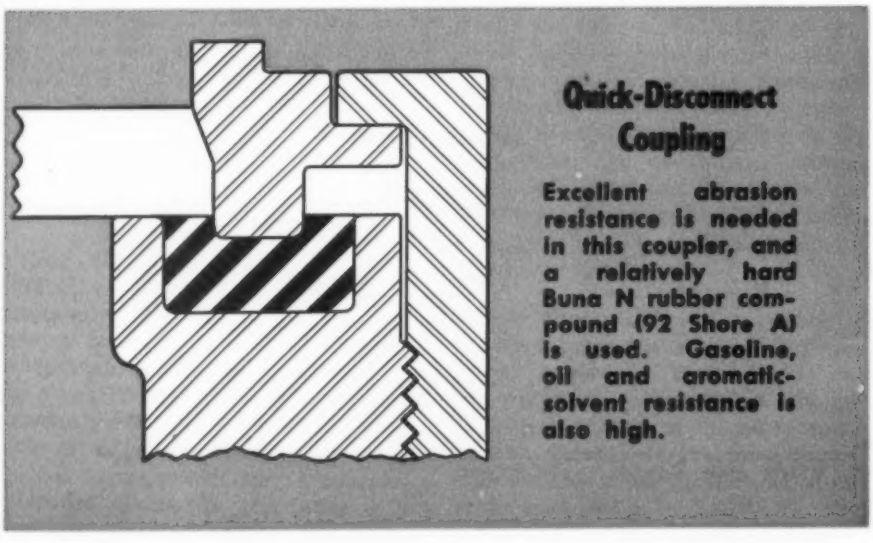
The natural tendency is to overspecify; that is, to ask for an unnecessarily high level of properties. This contributes to difficulty of procurement and uneconomic cost of the gasket.

General Design Properties: The term "rubber" covers several basic elastomers, each of which is capable of being compounded to give materials of limitless variety. Fortunately for the designer, most of these variations are concerned with chemical, solvent, and temperature response; and the factors that the designer must know about for drawings and calculations are common to all forms of rubber and to rubber-like plastics. These can be described briefly and somewhat generally in several broad terms.

Rubber is incompressible. It can be deformed with more or less ease depending upon hardness and cross section, but a true rubber compound cannot be reduced in volume. Therefore, room for flow or deformation must be provided. Or, conversely, it may be necessary to completely or partially confine the rubber to control amount of deformation or flow which occurs when pressure is applied.

Rubber is extensible. As in the case of incompressibility, this property of extensibility can be a two-edged proposition, offering design possibilities on the one hand and possibly requiring design and assembly controls on the other hand. Rubber's extensible properties are very valuable when it is necessary to assemble a gasket over a projection or shoulder, perhaps with the idea of having it snap tight within a groove. Except for some plastics, rubbers are the only materials that will stand this kind of treatment. On the other hand, the very stretchiness of rubber encourages abuse in the form of overstretching, and the gasket may not always return as planned to its original size.

Impermeability: In the sense of its ability to serve as a tight barrier against the passage of gases or fluids, rubber is highly impermeable. Neoprene and butyl rubber are outstanding in this respect, but all types of rubber are adequately impermeable for all practical gasketing purposes, and no supplementary measures such as compression or coatings are re-



Quick-Disconnect Coupling

Excellent abrasion resistance is needed in this coupler, and a relatively hard Buna N rubber compound (92 Shore A) is used. Gasoline, oil and aromatic-solvent resistance is also high.

quired to induce this quality of imperviousness.

Effecting complete contact of gasket to flange: Very little flange pressure is required to accomplish intimate contact with the face of a rubber gasket. The material conforms, flows, and equalizes easily in accommodating itself to the irregularities of normal flanges. Differences exist, according to the hardness of rubber being employed. The most commonly used hardnesses are those below 80 Shore A, and within this range the foregoing statement holds true. For compounds over 80 in Shore Durometer hardness, contact pressure is likely to approach that required of rubber-asbestos composition sheets. Conversely, a soft rubber compound will conform more easily than a medium to hard compound, but may present other difficulties such as excessive extrusion.

Maintenance of complete contact of gasket to flanges: Rubber has sufficient elasticity to follow well the movements of the flange surfaces. The best compounds for gasket use are those which have been formulated for low compression set, specified with suffix B in the MIL-R-3065 identification system. If the gasket is not confined, it may tend to walk out of the joint with successive tightenings of the bolts; or may fail through rupture if overstressed.

Compatibility between gasket and its environment: As is noted in the references to the various types of synthetic rubbers, they vary considerably in their reaction to contact with petroleum derivatives, acids, alkalis, solvents, ozone, etc. These inherent compatibilities are so affected by compounding, however, that it is impractical to do more than indicate the possibility of a high degree of variation. Heat resistance of rubber is about the same as that of other organic materials, and rubber compounds other than silicones are best used at ambient temperatures not over 160 F. Low-temperature flexibility is highly variable according to the elastomer being employed, but compounding, and especially choice of plasticizer, has a profound effect upon this basic characteristic. Since it does not absorb and hold moisture, a rubber compound is not likely to cause corrosion of flanges but, depending upon the metals employed, some staining or other reaction may occur due to certain of the compounding ingredients. For example, silver tarnishes readily in contact with rubber which has been compounded with sulphur.

Forms and Uses of Rubber: Rubber is best used in situations where controlled deformation is a feature of the design. The ordinary type of flanged joint wherein the gasket is subject to straight compressive stresses does not utilize rubber's unique properties to any appreciable extent; and in fact this type of joint tends to accentuate those properties of rubber which are least desirable from the standpoint of gasketing. At this point, it is well to take a look at the various forms in which rubber is customarily processed or fabricated, and possibly suggest types of applications for which each is suited.

SHEET RUBBER—SOLID: Many pipe-flange gaskets in systems handling aqueous solutions at moderate pressures and temperatures are made from rubber. If no petroleum oils or derivatives thereof are present, GR-S and natural-rubber compounds made in the form of what is commonly known as "red rubber sheet packing" are popular general-purpose materials. They contain quite a bit of filler so that the tendency to extrude or flow under compression is not accentuated. In the case of compounds not so highly loaded with inert filler, gaskets will tend to walk out of the joint if they are too thick, are too greatly stressed, or if the flanges are oily. Load-deflection characteristics of rubber in this form change with thickness and width of face. This makes design calculations difficult. Except in very thin sheets, die cutting is likely to introduce concavity and tapering of edges, which may be objectionable. When die cutting from thin sheets, the material is likely to be too easily deformed for accurate die cutting. This is countered in some

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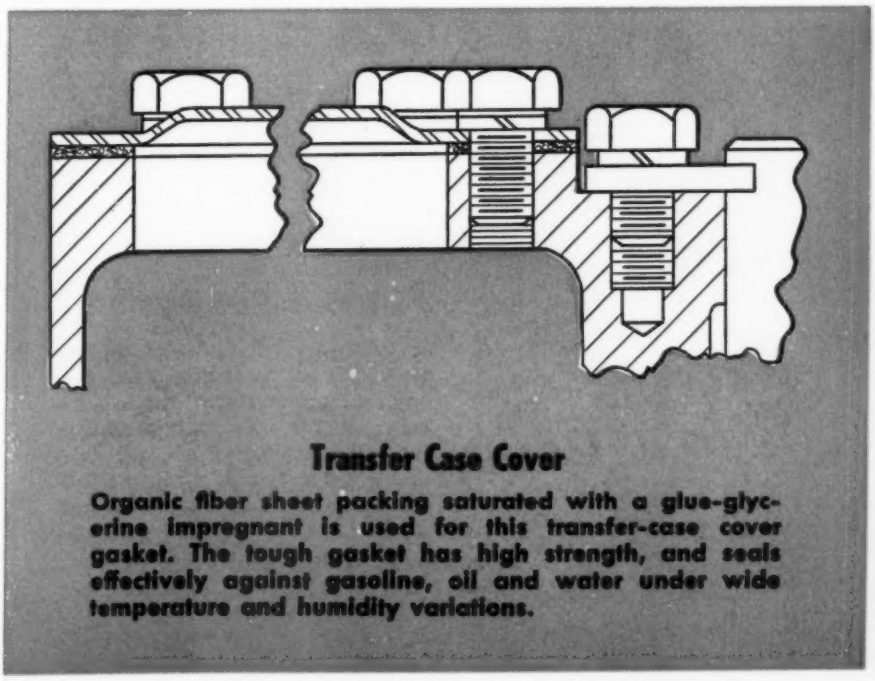
instances by the use of fabric insert compounds.

SHEET RUBBER—CELLULAR: Of the two types of cellular rubber—closed cell and interconnected cell—the former has several advantages for gasket work. Most evident of these is its ability to resist passage of moisture. Both types are an approach to the problem of making a truly compressible rubber material, which will respond to applied pressure in a "pneumatic" fashion. In fact, applications for cellular rubber are very similar to those in which cork composition is also used. It is especially well adapted to gasketing between members which are rather fragile and irregular. Naturally, little pressure can be held with cellular rubber, and its principal function when used as a gasket is to prevent entrance of moisture and dust to the interior of an assembly. Automotive tail lamps and similar assemblies are typical.

MOLDED RUBBER: Rubber reaches the height of its usefulness as an engineering and gasketing material in applications employing special cross sections which are obtained by techniques of molding and extrusion. One of the most useful standard molded forms is the well-known O-ring, which will be discussed later. Numerous other self-energizing types of gaskets can be devised with full assurance that their production will be



Transfer Case Cover

Organic fiber sheet packing saturated with a glue-glycerine impregnant is used for this transfer-case cover gasket. The tough gasket has high strength, and seals effectively against gasoline, oil and water under wide temperature and humidity variations.

quite possible and practical by molding from rubber. Manufacturers of hydraulic and pneumatic devices are particularly dependent upon molded rubber for many sealing applications, including both packings and gaskets.

One of the limitations to the use of molded rubber parts is cost. Rubber molds are costly compared with the relatively simple tooling required for producing die-cut or lathe-cut parts. Therefore, molding of rubber is most feasible when quantities are sufficient to justify mold costs, and when by molding the loss of centers or other scrap can be minimized.

LATHE-CUT RINGS: One of the most frequently used techniques for making rubber rings and washers of rectangular cross section is to slice them from tubes. The tubes can be made either by extrusion or by a process of laminating. The latter involves wrapping a mandrel with a sufficient number of plies of uncured stock to build up the required diameter or wall thickness. Some means of applying pressure, as by wrapping with cloth tape, is employed during the vulcanizing cycle, after which the tube is ground (if necessary for finish or accuracy) and sliced manually or on automatic equipment.

Saving in mixed stock which results from this form of fabrication frequently enables rubber to compete with materials which are ordinarily considered less costly. Manufacturers of electrical equipment such as transformers and lightning arrestors have found it quite feasible to purchase square or rectangular cross-section rings produced by slicing from tubes, and in their assembly operations to distort these simple rings to various other shapes such as triangles and rhomboids. This system is more flexible and less costly than purchasing parts molded to the final shape.

MACHINE-FINISHED PARTS: Rubber can sometimes be machine finished by processes of slicing, grinding, punching, sanding, etc., but this type of production is not often practiced except for the production of small quantities; or where it has been found feasible to purchase a standard, mass-produced part and by a small alteration such as the grinding of a bevel, make it into a desired part.

O-Rings: In essence, the O-ring is a molded rubber packing. But from the standpoint of the engineering attention it has received, the precision with which it is manufactured, and the care with which its quality is controlled, it transcends the usual techniques of commercial rubber molding. A considerable variety of compounds is available varying in hardness, fluid resistance characteristics, and high and low temperature response. General information on installation and gland design is contained in specification MIL-P-5514A.

Some of the reasons for the high regard in which the O-ring is held by designers are:

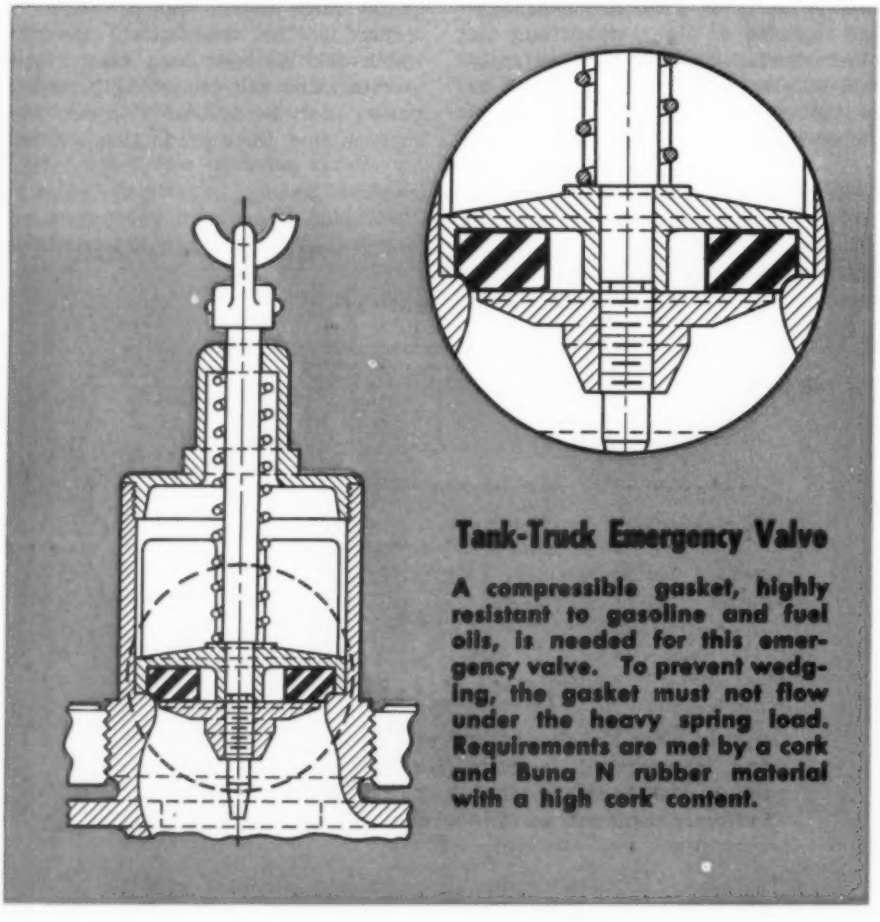
1. *Simplicity:* Not only is the O-ring itself a simple item as to shape—its use also calls for the simplest of groove or channel designs. This simplification contributes to low fabrication costs, compact mechanism and foolproof performance.
2. *Ease of installation:* In general, all that is required is to snap the O-ring into place and complete the assembly.
3. *Standardization:* Physical property specifications, sizes of the rings themselves, and the sizes of the grooves, cavities, or counterbores in which they fit, have all been standardized. Basic dimensional information is included later.
4. *Versatility:* O-rings can be used for dynamic or static seals.
5. *Effectiveness:* O-rings are used routinely for holding pressures up to 1500 psi. When supported by a back-up member such as a ring of leather or plastic, O-rings have proved able to hold pressures in the range of 3000 psi. The purpose of the back-up ring is to prevent excessive extrusion of the O-ring into the clearance space between the members.

If only its virtues are examined, the thought is created, "why does anyone use anything else?" Some of the factors impeding wider acceptance of the O-ring are:

1. *Extrusion:* When holding high pressure or vacuum, an O-ring may extrude into clearance spaces, and accidental damage to one of the adjacent members may prove fatal to the seal.
2. *Vulnerability to environment:* Instead of a thin edge being exposed to the sealed fluid, an O-ring is almost totally exposed. Its effectiveness depends entirely upon its retention of resilience. Anything which destroys the resilience of the O-ring produces failure of the joint. There is usually no follow-up device and no opportunity to renew the seal by tightening of bolts.
3. *Abrasion:* Even when used as a static seal, pressure pulsations cause a rubbing of the O-ring against confining metal parts and may lead to wear and failure.
4. *Cost:* The adjoining surfaces should usually be superfinished or chromium plated, and this requirement may make the joint uneconomical.

Fluoroethylene Polymers: Sold under the trade names Teflon (polytetrafluoroethylene), Kel-F (polytrifluorochloroethylene) and Fluorothene (polychlorotrifluoroethylene), fluoroethylene polymers are distinguished by a number of unusual properties. These include: chemical inertness; toughness over a wide temperature range; resistance to high temperature; extremely low dielectric loss over a wide range of frequencies; resistance to all solvents, including high boiling ketones, boiling sodium hydroxide, aqua regia, hydrofluoric acids, and fuming nitric acid; low friction; and nonadhesion.

Teflon has superior physical properties and is usable over a wider temperature range than Kel-F, but the latter is likely to be less costly and more versatile in fabrication. Teflon's remarkable range of working temperatures extends from below minus 90 F to approximately 480 F.



Tank-Truck Emergency Valve

A compressible gasket, highly resistant to gasoline and fuel oils, is needed for this emergency valve. To prevent wedging, the gasket must not flow under the heavy spring load. Requirements are met by a cork and Buna N rubber material with a high cork content.

Kel-F is less resistant to softening at temperatures over 300 F, and is adversely affected by ultraviolet light and X-ray exposure.

These plastics are supplied in standard shapes: sheets, rods, tubes, and tape; as molding powder—shredded and granular; and in the form of suspensoids—stable aqueous dispersions containing 50 per cent solids. Complex articles are formed by machining the standard shapes. Teflon cannot as yet be molded by the conventional techniques used with other plastics because it does not melt and flow. It can be molded into simple shapes, however, by an adaptation of the compression molding process. As a suspensoid, it can be applied in successive thin (about 0.001-inch) coats, each followed by fusion at 500 F. Thus, only high temperature resistant base materials may be treated in this manner.

Teflon gaskets in a wide range of sizes are offered by several suppliers in solid, jacketed, and spiral-wound styles. The design considerations involved in each case are:

SOLID TEFLON GASKETS are produced by die cutting from a molded sheet, by slicing from the end of a molded cylinder, or by molding directly from powder. They are installed in flanges of standard design. Raised face flanges are normally used for low pressure, that is 150 to 300 psi. For higher pressures, some confining arrangements such as tongue and groove, or male and female, is used. Solid gaskets of Teflon have given satisfactory service in tongue and groove flanges at pressures as high as 30,000 psi.

Teflon is incompressible, like rubber, flowing under pressure; but gasket design for it generally follows compressed rubber-asbestos practice. There is a similar lack of resiliency in both materials. This presents a problem in operations or situations where variation in temperature changes the pressure on the gasket through expansion and contraction of the flanges and bolts. Sometimes spring-loaded bolts offer a solution in these cases.

Coefficient of thermal expansion of Teflon is about twice that of aluminum, and this must be taken into account in any design situation where the part is likely to be confined. Teflon has been reported to be subject to cold flow to a considerable extent. However, careful investigations demonstrate that the tendency is not excessive and is encountered only during the first few hours after the load is applied. Under any given temperature and pressure, equilibrium is rapidly reached, and no further change will occur unless the load or temperature is changed.

ENVELOPE GASKETS: These Teflon types were developed for glass, porcelain, and glass-lined equipment where misalignment of flanges and low bolting pressures result in failure to seat solid Teflon. Envelope gaskets are also used for those diameters larger than 24 inches, or beyond the size in which solid gaskets are available. The usual construction is the so-called "French" type, consisting of a rather soft filler covered by a jacket or envelope of Teflon. Depending on the service, the filler material may be fabric-reinforced rubber, asbestos-rubber, plain asbestos paper, and metallic and other types of materials.

SPIRAL-WOUND GASKETS: Spiral-wound metal gaskets with a filler of Teflon are made in a range of shapes and dimensions. The chemical resistance of Teflon combined with the strength of the metal provides a gasket especially suited for high pressure chemical service. Stainless steel, Monel and other metals are used, depending upon the chemicals to which the gasket is to be exposed. Spiral-wound gaskets have a mechanical

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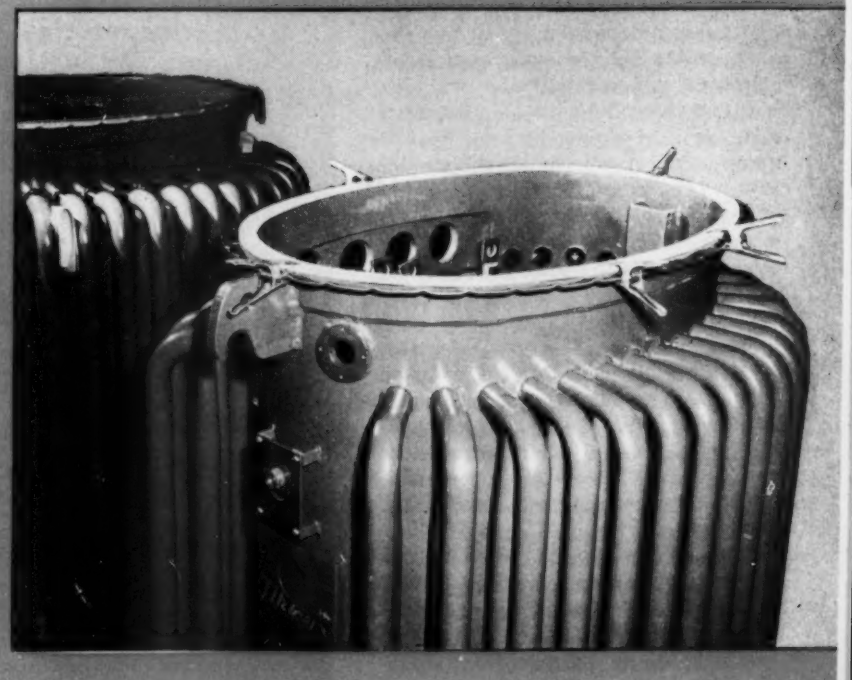
"kick back" action built in, due to the shaping of the metal. They require rather heavy bolting pressure to accomplish initial seating, and they are expensive compared with ordinary flat gaskets. However, they are probably unequaled for high-pressure and high-temperature chemical service. Design calculations covering required bolt loadings generally follow the ASME *Unfired Pressure Vessel Code,* using m and y values specified for spiral-wound metal and asbestos gaskets.

IMPREGNATED-FIBER GASKETS: Many of the valuable attributes of Teflon are obtained at relatively low cost by impregnating suitable fiber sheet materials with Teflon suspensoid. The fiber most generally used in this manner is asbestos, either in the form of paper or woven fabric. The coating of Teflon protects the asbestos from chemical attack and, while little specific information is available, test

Power Transformer

Gaskets are assembled in sections on Allis-Chalmers power transformers. A projecting lip positions the gasket inside diameter, and crimps in the flange outside diameter control gasket compression.



results are said to have been very promising. The combination of blue asbestos and Teflon, in particular, should result in a highly acid-resistant gasket at moderate cost. Other types of fiber are also being considered in this connection, including glass and other ceramic types.

Paper

Types of papers of concern in this section are made from organic fibers, especially vegetable fibers. Asbestos (mineral) fiber materials have been previously described.

Untreated papers useful for gasket work run the entire gamut of paper production, including such diverse types as plain brown wrapping paper, fish paper, drawing paper, chipboard, tagboard, rag felt, etc.

Treated paper gasket materials may be made by a solution saturation process or by beater saturation. Solution saturation is the older form and still the more widely used. It consists of passing the paper stock through a tank or trough containing a liquid solution or dispersion of suitable solids such as gelatine, resin, or latex. The base paper is made from rope or kraft pulp and is purposely made porous so that it will saturate easily. By the incorporation of granulated cork in the beater, porosity and compressibility are further increased. Some use has also been made of leather fibers and cotton linters.

Beater-addition or beater-saturation processes seek to combine the fibers and the particles of saturant uniformly and in a controlled manner prior to formation of the fibers as a sheet. This type of saturated paper formation is apparently increasing in usefulness and popularity at the expense of the solution-saturated type.

Treated paper materials are also classified according to the saturant used, usually glue-glycerine, resins, drying oils, or synthetic rubber latices. The glue-glycerine saturated type is by far the most widely used of the treated papers, but it is apparently also losing ground to beater-saturated materials employing latex saturants.

Vulcanized fiber is a type of material difficult to classify, but is listed here as a treated paper occasionally used for gaskets. Because of its hardness it is generally limited to those applications in which the gasket must be highly incompressible or must serve as a shim. Vulcanized-fiber gaskets are frequently coated with a thin film of synthetic rubber to help effect complete contact between gasket and flanges.

Available Forms: All types of treated and untreated papers are supplied in sheets and rolls; usually single ply up to 1/16-inch thickness and in multiple plies or laminations for greater thicknesses. Die cutting is the usual method of fabrication of gaskets.

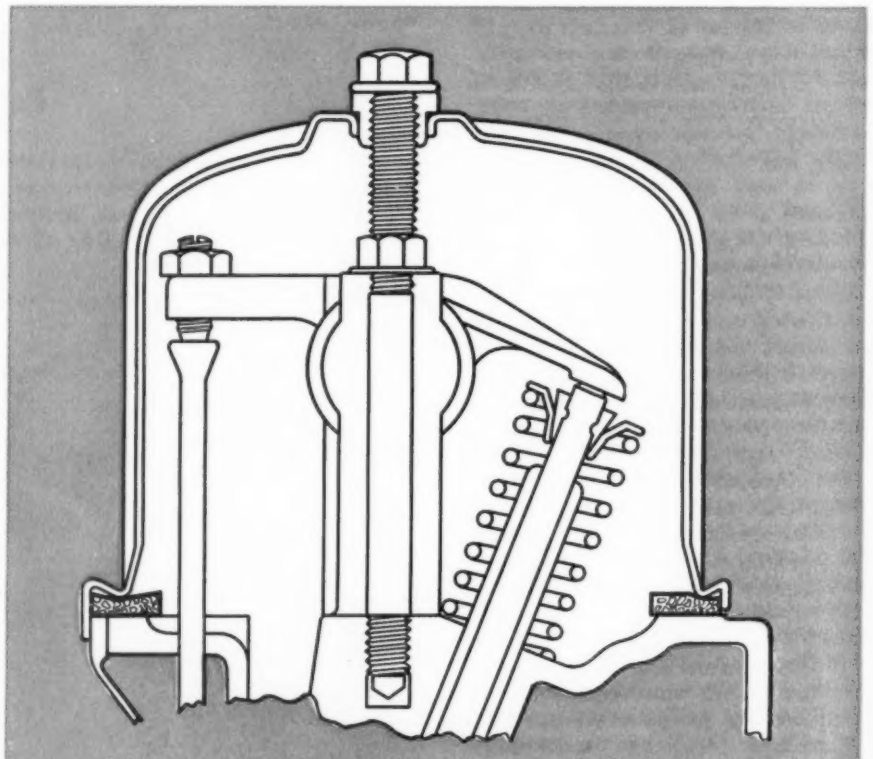
Relative Cost: Untreated paper gaskets are generally quite inexpensive—probably the cheapest gaskets obtainable. Treated papers are intermediate in cost, generally running higher than cork composition but below compressed asbestos.

Properties and Limitations: By previous standards, paper gaskets have some inherent advantages and limitations.

Impermeability: Untreated papers by their very nature are rather highly permeable, and are likely to remain so even under compression and after having been saturated with the contained fluids. Hence, they are not generally used as a fluid barrier but rather to prevent entrance of dust or merely to hold against splash of internal or external liquids. Hard or soft papers are used according to the nature of the joined surfaces. Treated papers, on the other hand, are moderately impermeable, a property which increases as the gasket is placed under compression. Solution-saturated materials are more impermeable in the unconfined state than are beater-saturated materials. The latter require compression to close the voids which are inherent in any fibrous structure.

Achieving completeness of contact: This is a factor that matters little in the case of the untreated paper. But for treated papers, a moderate amount of pressure is required to obtain an initial seating of flange to gasket sufficient to hold moderate or atmospheric pressures. This is likely to be on the order of 500 to 1000 psi on the area of the gasket, depending upon the characteristics of the gasket and the flanges.

Maintaining complete contact:



Rocker-Arm Cover

Light-pressure assembly of this stamped valve rocker-arm cover without use of side bolts is attained by using a cork composition gasket. Having high fatigue resistance, the gasket is impervious to oil.

Treated papers will hold against surprisingly high pressures. When this is a requirement, however, it is well to employ a thin gasket with long stretchy bolts which will insure follow-up pressure after the gasket has taken its permanent set.

Compatibility of gasket and environment: This is another point of little importance in connection with untreated papers since they are used only where requirements are not severe. For treated papers, the best fields of application are for the sealing of oil, gasoline, and in some cases cold water. Water service should be avoided with those materials which contain glycerine because of the extraction that will occur, followed by shrinkage and hardening of the gasket. Rubber-latex, beater-saturated types do much better in this class of service. Glycerine saturants may also cause undue corrosion of flange surfaces, and this is also avoided by using the latex-saturated types. Fungus resistance is inherently poor in plain or protein-saturated materials, fair to good in latex or resin-treated stocks. Fungicides may be added to saturants by the sheet manufacturer, or employed as external treatments by the fabricator or user.

Typical Uses: Common paper gasket applications are:

Untreated papers are generally used where service conditions are no more severe than the setting up of a barrier against the passage of dust particles or splash. They are also used where the requirement is simply for a spacer, as in the mounting of a radio speaker. Another broad field of application is where the user of the gasket has some special treatment of his own that he wants to apply to the gasket and which he cannot obtain commercially. Thus, a pump manufacturer who wants his gaskets saturated with oil buys them cut from manila paper or drawing paper, cements them in place, then applies an oil soak.

Glue-glycerine saturated papers, while being replaced in many applications by the newer latex solution-saturated and beater-saturated materials, still have the honor of being the most widely used general-purpose, soft gasket material. Where extreme compressibility is not required, it will do many of the jobs associated with cork composition. Where extreme stability, heat resistance and toughness are not required, it will do many of the jobs associated with compressed asbestos. In addition, it is available in widths of 36 inches and more and in long rolls; it is easy to stock and dispense. However, it is best used with oils and gasolines to hold moderate pressures and at moderate temperatures not exceeding 160 F. Its use is particularly to be avoided in any application involving contact with alkalies, strong acids, steam, and alternate wetting and drying.

One should always make sure of getting a so-called "specification grade," since second or third-quality competitive grades are little better than plain untreated papers. The differences lie in the amount of solids picked up by the base paper in the saturating operation.

Latex-saturated papers, particularly the beater-saturated types, perform comparably with the glue-glycerine types in general oil and gasoline services. In addition, they have certain advantages over glue-glycerine sheets: (1) nonextractable binders permit use in water and alternate wet and dry services; (2) the latex type is less likely to encourage corrosion of flanges; and (3) the latex type is generally more resistant to fungus attack.

Leather

Of the gasketing and packing materials in general use today, leather is probably by far the oldest. Most of it is from selected steer hides, and there is the further limitation that highest quality products are made only from the portion known as the butt bend. This is the section of the hide extending along each side of the backbone on the rear quarters of the animal.

As a prerequisite to its use in industry, leather must generally be tanned. The three basic tannages in the leather industry are:

1. *Vegetable or Oak Tanning:* This type employs tannin extracted from fruit, leaves, bark, wood, and roots of many shrubs and trees. It is a general custom to call any vegetable tannage an oak tannage. Today, however, most so-called oak leather is not tanned with oak bark, but with many types and combinations of vegetable material.
2. *Mineral Tanning:* This process employs mineral compounds such as chromium salts.
3. *Combination Tannages:* Blends of vegetable and mineral tanning materials are used in these types.

For many uses, impregnation as well as tanning is required. Waxes, resins and synthetic liquid polymers are used.

Forms Available: Size of the hide limits the size of parts that can be made in leather. And since all parts of the hide are not of equal quality, a further limitation is imposed. However, wonders have been performed in the manipulation of leather by experienced processors and fabricators. Machines known as leather splitters are capable of splitting hides to thin sheets. The material can be formed and molded within limits. It can be die cut. It can be skived and joined to form long strips or belts. It can be machine finished. Many efforts have been made to convert scrap leather into compositions, boards or paper formations, but so far as is known none of these has achieved acceptance for important gasketing applications.

Properties and Limitations: As with most natural products, leather is highly complex, but may be described as being made up of interwoven fiber bundles possessing a roughly directional weave, and at the same time, a complex nondirectional interlocking. This construction produces a closely knit, tough material capable of strong resistance against stresses which tend to wear, distort, or rupture it.

Even in its fully tanned condition leather is still porous and capable of breathing, as is easily understood by anyone who has noted the difference between wearing leather boots as against nonporous rubber boots. This porosity makes leather susceptible to processes such as impregnation designed to enhance its natural usefulness. And while the practice of impregnating leather originated a long time ago, new impregnating materials and techniques have come into use to cope with increasingly high pressures, and new chemical and physical conditions.

Tensile strength is highly variable, but will generally exceed 3000 psi. Leather, in common experience, is highly resistant to abrasion. This property seems to be independent of whether the grain side or the flesh side of the leather is exposed to abrasive contact.

Ability to remain flexible at extreme low temperatures is one of leather's most useful properties for modern industrial and military equipment. In the case of impregnated leather, it is to be assumed that the low temperature properties are contingent upon both the leather itself and the properties of the impregnant.

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leather exhibits behavior as follows:

Impermeability: Leather does not have this property inherently, although it can be made almost impermeable by suitable impregnation. Thus, it is a satisfactory barrier under compression and with suitable impregnation against many fluids and some gases.

Effecting complete contact with flanges: While the ability of leather to be deformed is contingent to a great extent upon the character of the tannage and impregnation that has been employed, it does in general rate as a comparatively easy material to force into contact with metal flanges. Flanges, however, should be flat, rigid and smoothly finished.

Maintenance of complete contact: Under heavy mechanical pressures, leather tends to extrude. Therefore, leather washers and gaskets are best used in a recess. Initial tension of the bolts is depended upon to hold the joint tight, and if the bolt should loosen under shock or vibration, the joint will leak.

Compatibility with environment: When properly impregnated, leather can withstand temperatures from −70 F to 220 F. It will also be reasonably impervious to the effects of oil, gasoline, gases or fumes. On the other hand, leathers not tanned and impregnated for the conditions will be completely degreased by exposure to gasoline and alcohol, and will dry out and become brittle. Leather is never recommended for steam pressure of any type, nor for use in acid or alkali solutions.

Typical Uses: Because of its remarkable combination of toughness, pliability, strength, resistance to abrasion, and ability to hold lubricating fluids in its fibers, leather is considered an outstanding product for dynamic packing applications. It is molded into V's, U's, cups, and other shapes, or used flat as a straight compression type of dynamic packing.

One of the most important and most modern applications for leather is for back-up washers used in conjunction with synthetic O-ring packings and gaskets. In extreme high-pressure joints, rubber O-rings will extrude into the clearance spaces between metallic members unless a barrier to such extrusion is incorporated in the assembly. Leather is often used for this purpose. The pressure level at which back-up washers become necessary is rather arbitrarily set at 1500 psi. By the use of back-up washers, O-rings are suitable up to pressures of 3000 psi and even higher. The lubricating wick effect of leather is helpful in applications involving relative motion between machine parts and seals.

Another important use for leather washers is as a back-up or follower for the synthetic rubber sealing ring in aircraft fuel and hydraulic tube fittings. One noteworthy feature of this application is that the compression of the leather gasket is accomplished by a rotating nut. Many kinds of gasket materials would be injured by this type of closing action.

Combination and Miscellaneous Gaskets

In spite of the large number of natural and synthetic products used for gaskets, problems are presented which apparently cannot be satisfactorily solved by any of them. Thus, designers and vendors have shown ingenuity in combining and modifying materials to emphasize wanted properties and subdue or compensate for unwanted properties.

Laminated Materials: Purpose of laminating is usually to combine the properties of a strong but relatively incompressible material with those of a highly compressible but perhaps weak material.

For example, vegetable fiber and cork composition have approximately the same chemical properties and the same response to atmospheric conditions. Hence they are easily combined by processes of lamination and, depending upon the ultimate use, the cork may serve as the center filler or the fiber may occupy this position.

Incongruous though it may seem, asbestos and cork have been combined in a sandwich construction, the cork composition being used as a thin filler between two layers of compressed asbestos. The objective is greater compressibility.

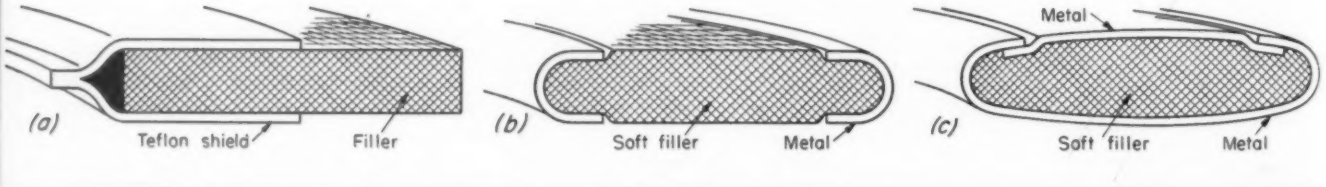
Low-cost automotive cylinder head gaskets are sometimes made by attaching a sheet of asbestos millboard to each side of a steel sheet. The steel is perforated in such a way that small prongs or stakes hold the asbestos in place mechanically.

Jacketed Types: Jacketed gaskets, *Fig.* 3, usually consist of a center filler to which has been applied a metallic or nonmetallic outer covering or envelope. The purpose of the jacket is to protect the filler material against some conditions of service to which it is vulnerable.

For example, Teflon-jacketed asbestos, rubber and other filler materials, *Fig.* 3*a*, are used for the gasketing of glass lined vessels and piping as used for chemical processing. Metal-clad or metal-jacketed gaskets *Figs.* 3*b* and *c*, in a wide variety of designs are used for heat or erosion resistance. Boiler gaskets and automotive cylinder head gaskets exemplify this construction.

Corrugated Metal with Soft Fillers: Such gaskets are primarily for pipe connections, are circular in shape, and are subject to moderately heavy bolting pressures. They are particularly indicated for warped flanges. A closely related construction is the serrated metal ring having serrations packed with asbestos filler, *Fig.* 4.

Fig. 3—Combination gaskets of jacketed types. Teflon-jacketed gaskets, *a*, are used for chemical service; metal-jacketed types are shown at *b* and *c*



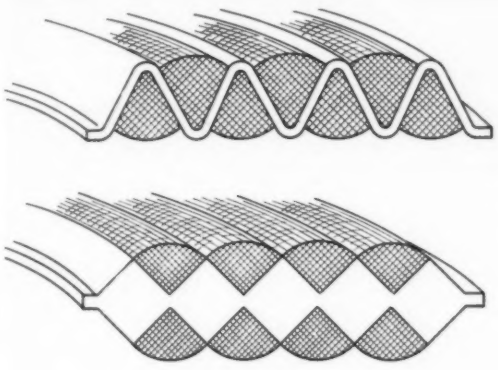


Fig. 4 — Corrugated-metal combination gaskets with asbestos filler

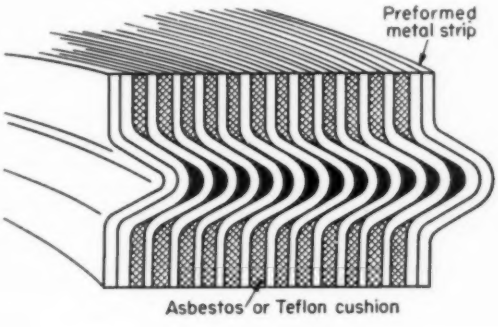


Fig. 5—Spiral-wound combination gasket

Spiral-Wound Gaskets: As illustrated in *Fig.* 5, this construction consists of plies of preformed metal and asbestos or other filler strip. A center corrugation in the metal strip gives constant tension and resilience when this type of gasket is under compression. In addition to giving a tight seal, this style is self-adjusting, noncorrosive and, in fact, has many advantages which would recommend its use where initial cost is a factor of minor importance.

Miscellaneous Gaskets: For reasons already stated, the list can go on interminably. Representative types, however, are briefly:

FLOWED-IN GASKETS: Applied as a liquid through a nozzle into a suitable groove or recess and then baked in place, synthetic rubber and resin compounds have found limited usage in such items as instrument-panel bezels and covers for food containers.

GASKET PASTES: This classification includes spreadable compounds which are intended to set up by air drying, or which may be designed to remain flexible indefinitely. These, of course, are relatively uncontrollable from the standpoint of installation, and very often do more harm than good in allowing the surfaces to slip.

AUTOMOTIVE GLASS-CHANNEL FILLER: This is usually a compound of reclaim rubber and fiber, uncured, supplied in ribbon form. It is used for holding safety glass in windows and ventilating fixtures. Soap solution or oil is used as an assembly aid. A variation of this product is a cork and reclaim-rubber mix on bias-woven fabric.

FELT: Materials less permeable than felt are generally used for gaskets, but some of its mechanical uses deserve mentioning here. Ability of felt's interlocking fibers to pick up and conduct fluids accounts for its wide use as wipers, wicks, ball-bearing grease retainers, etc. Suitable impregnants improve its liquid-barrier performance, but cost is somewhat high, and applications tend to be of special nature.

Treatments and Coatings

Numerous special treatments have been devised for gaskets for purposes of resisting penetration, leveling surfaces to promote complete contact with flanges, preventing adhesion, effecting adhesion, resisting mold, protecting from heat, inhibiting shrinkage, and reducing friction. Specific treatments are:

SYNTHETIC RUBBER: Neoprene applied as a dip coat to cork composition oil pan strips for automobile engines resists oil penetration and loss of moisture, and prevents installation breakage. Thiokol applied to fiber sheet materials by doctor blade or roller helps level surfaces and promotes seating contact of these relatively unyielding materials to flange faces.

GRAPHITE: Applied as a dry flake or mixed with oil or in a water emulsion, graphite functions as a surface leveler and adhesion inhibitor.

ADHESIVES: Usually of synthetic rubber or resin or combination, adhesives may be used wet or partly dry, or may be entirely dry with the idea of being reactivated by solvent or heat. They are used where an immediate permanent bond is desired, helping to keep the gasket and flange together in spite of wide temperature fluctuations and joint movement.

FUNGICIDES: Materials such as beta-naphthol, pentachlorophenol, salicylanilide, various copper and mercury compounds are used to resist mold growth. Some are incorporated in gasket compositions, some used as surface treatment. The type of treatment and the expected degree of protection must be set up specifically between vendor and purchaser, and the latter should not be surprised if he is told that the treatment he wants cannot be employed in the vendor's factory but will have to be applied at point of usage or by a subcontractor. This is because of the hazardous nature of some of the preparations. If the reason for wanting a fungicidal treatment is to protect gaskets only during shipment and storage, formaldehyde powder dusted in cartons may be adequate if the package is vapor-tight. Some gasket materials, of course, are highly resistant to mold inherently, and extra treatments should not be specified until the need has been established.

REFLECTIVE COATINGS: Aluminum paint or lacquer applied as a dip serves as reflective insulation offering some protection to gaskets located near a source of heat.

OIL OR HOT PARAFFIN: Such materials may be applied by dipping to

vegetable fiber and cork composition gaskets to prevent drying out under adverse conditions of storage.

TALC OR MICA DUST: Applied dry or in an adhesive vehicle, these materials are used to cut surface friction of gaskets and may be particularly useful in applications requiring rotation of parts to close the joint.

JOINT AND GASKET DESIGN

JOINT and gasket design must be considered together. A joint is only as good as its gasket, and the gasket may succeed or fail according to whether the joint is designed and constructed to make the best use of the properties of the gasket material. Therefore, the joint components must be thought of as a unit or as a system for effecting a seal.

In assemblies where the gland or flange design is established, gasket selection will be from materials known to work effectively in the prescribed type of design. In other instances, choice of gasket material will be dictated by some consideration which the designer is powerless to alter, and in these cases he will have to select flange designs with the properties of the prescribed gasket material in mind. It is the purpose of this section to show the mutual dependency of these two major elements.

Representative Gasketed Joints: Basic flange joints, *Fig.* 6*a*, are suitable for all kinds of flat gaskets, plain or jacketed; and for moderate pressures up to 200 psi. Higher fluid pressures may require some variation of this joint, such as those shown in *Figs.* 6*b* and *c*.

In *Fig.* 6*b*, the gasket wall section has been reduced to give higher gasket stress than in 6*a*, without change in bolt stress. This kind of design change may also reduce cost of the gasket. The design as shown is adaptable to all flat gaskets. The tongue and groove variation of the basic flange joint, *Fig.* 6*c*, is useful for applying extremely high stresses to gaskets and for holding high fluid pressures. Since it completely confines the gasket, it limits the flow that might otherwise occur in many materials, especially rubber and rubber-like materials.

Metal-to-metal joints especially

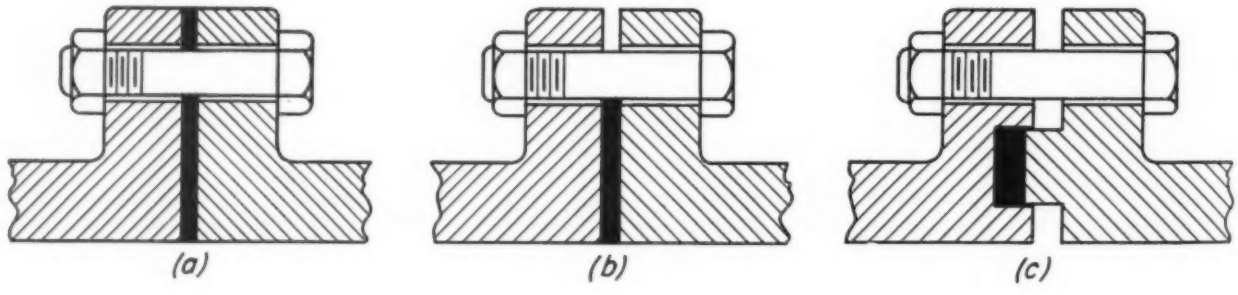


Fig. 6—Basic flange joint, *a*, with gasket section reduced for higher stress, *b*, and tongue-and-groove variation, *c*, for high fluid pressure

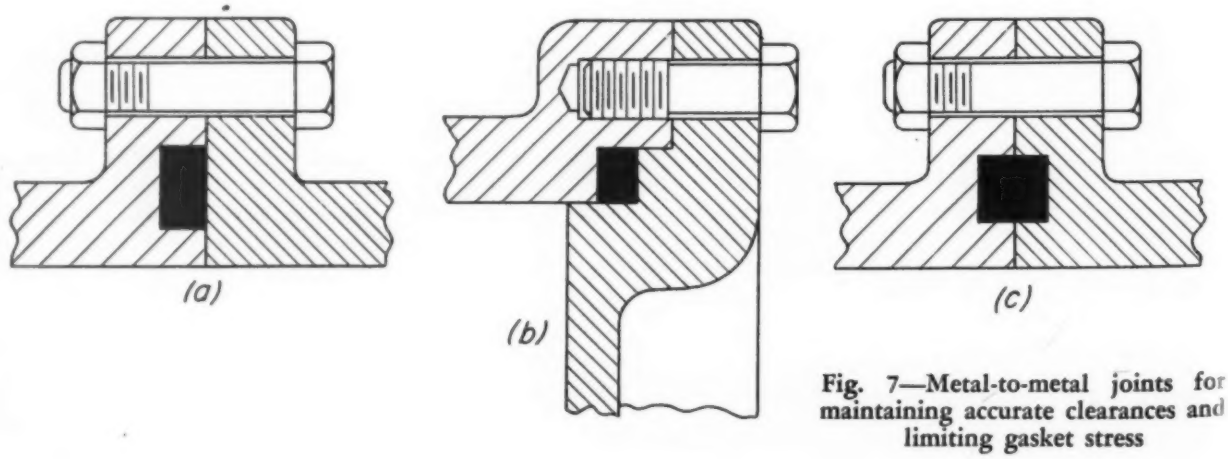


Fig. 7—Metal-to-metal joints for maintaining accurate clearances and limiting gasket stress

suitable for truly compressible materials such as cork composition and cork-and-rubber are shown in *Fig.* 7. However, these joints bear a great similarity to joints designed specifically for rubber O-rings. Rectangular-section rubber gaskets may be used thus if shape and volume are correct. Initial gasket volume must not exceed that of the cavity, but initial shape should be such that upwards of 25 per cent deflection of the rubber part occurs as the joint is closed. These joints are particularly good where it is essential to maintain accurate internal clearances or alignments. They are also useful for limiting the amount of stress on the gasket.

Self-energizing, or self-tightening, joints, *Fig.* 8, generally call for special molded shapes, although flat gaskets can be used in some cases. Rubber or plastic molded to special shapes are often used, *Fig.* 8*a*. A flat gasket for this purpose is shown in *Fig.* 8*b*.

Concentric joints, *Fig.* 9, require that the gasket exert its sealing force in a direction normal to the applied bolt stress. A deformable material which is relatively firm and incompressible works best. Rubber, for instance, deforms with minimum actual compression, although soft rubber is likely to extrude through clearances. Impregnated braided packings, cork-and-rubber, and straight rubber of 80 or 90 Shore hardness are especially worth considering. O-ring designs shown later are additional examples of concentric joints.

Threaded joints, *Fig.* 10, which close with torsion, require materials which are tough, inextensible and abrasion resistant. Hard compressed asbestos, leather and metal-jacketed gaskets are best. At least one of the mating surfaces should be smooth-finished to permit sliding against the gasket with minimum friction and abrasion.

Joints in which very simple gaskets have been adapted to gasket cavity designs of somewhat different shape are illustrated in *Fig.* 11. The possibilities in using simple round, square or flat cross-section gaskets should be exhausted before concluding that relatively expensive molded shapes are necessary.

For example, in *Fig.* 11*a* a square-section rubber ring is deformed in assembling a stamped container and cover. A flat rubber gasket is deformed to dish shape and held in place by steps or serrations in the sloping seat in *Fig.* 11*b*. This joint is between a ceramic insulator and a transformer cover. In *Fig.* 11*c* an open-head steel drum employs a rectangular-section cork-composition gasket or a hollow tubular rubber gasket.

General joint design suggestions for rubber O-rings are shown in *Fig.* 12; standards for packing and gasket installations in *Fig.* 13 and *Tables* 3

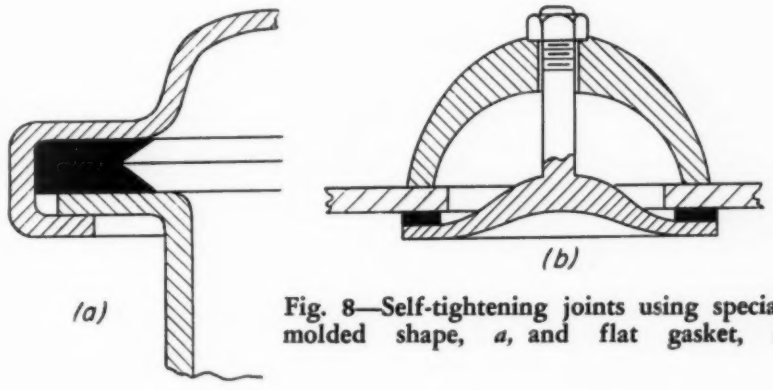


Fig. 8—Self-tightening joints using special molded shape, *a*, and flat gasket, *b*

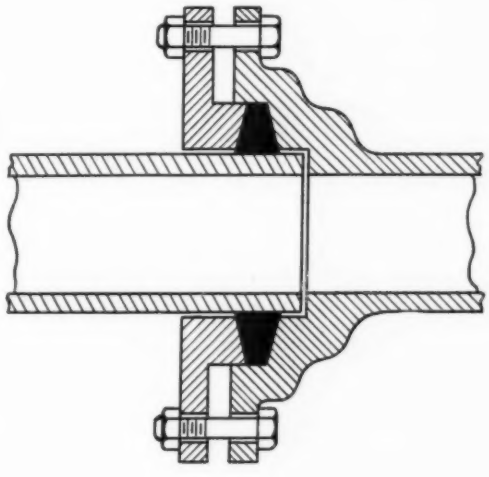


Fig. 9 — Concentric joint in which the gasket exerts sealing force normal to the applied stress

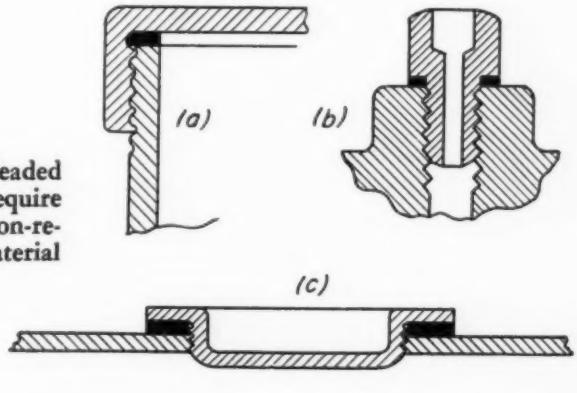


Fig. 10 — Threaded joints, which require a tough, abrasion-resistant gasket material

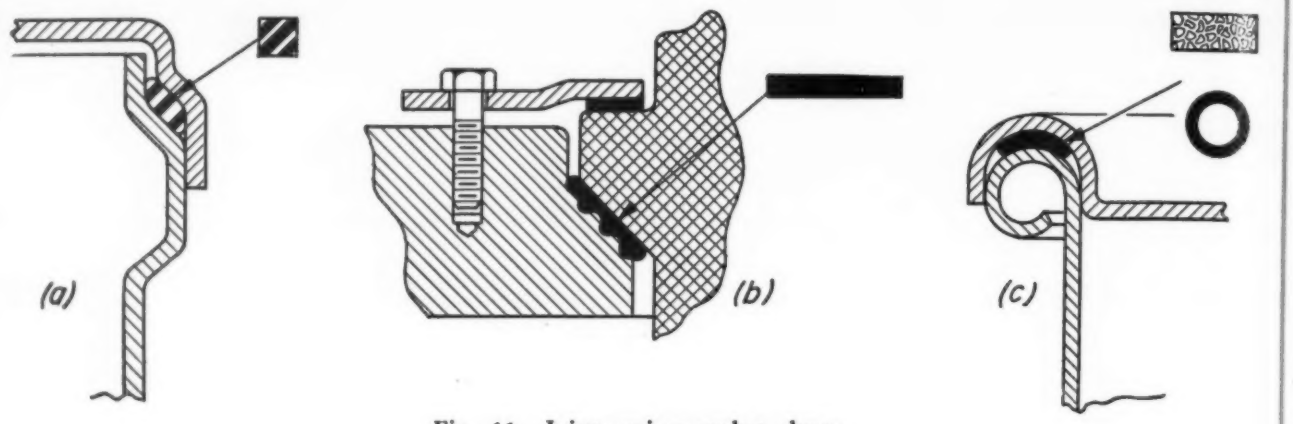


Fig. 11—Joints using gasket shape changes other than simple deflection

and 4; and static seal designs for O-rings in *Fig.* 14 and *Table* 5.

Bolt Stresses in Pressure Joints: Bolts or other fasteners used in pressure vessel assemblies perform several functions:

1. Prevent separation of gasket and flange due to action of internal fluid load.
2. Support additional stresses caused by gravity, misalignment, thermal expansion and contraction.
3. Develop gasket stresses equal to the fluid pressure, times a safety factor to counteract natural relaxation. This factor is the constant m in ASME formulas for bolted flanges.
4. Apply an initial yield or seating force to the gasket. This is independent of the confined pressure and is defined as the minimum stress that must be applied to the gasket to hold even a very low pressure. This is usually expressed in psi and is the constant y in ASME formulas. While it is treated there as a property of the gasket, it is to a great extent a measure of flange inaccuracies and varies with each joint.

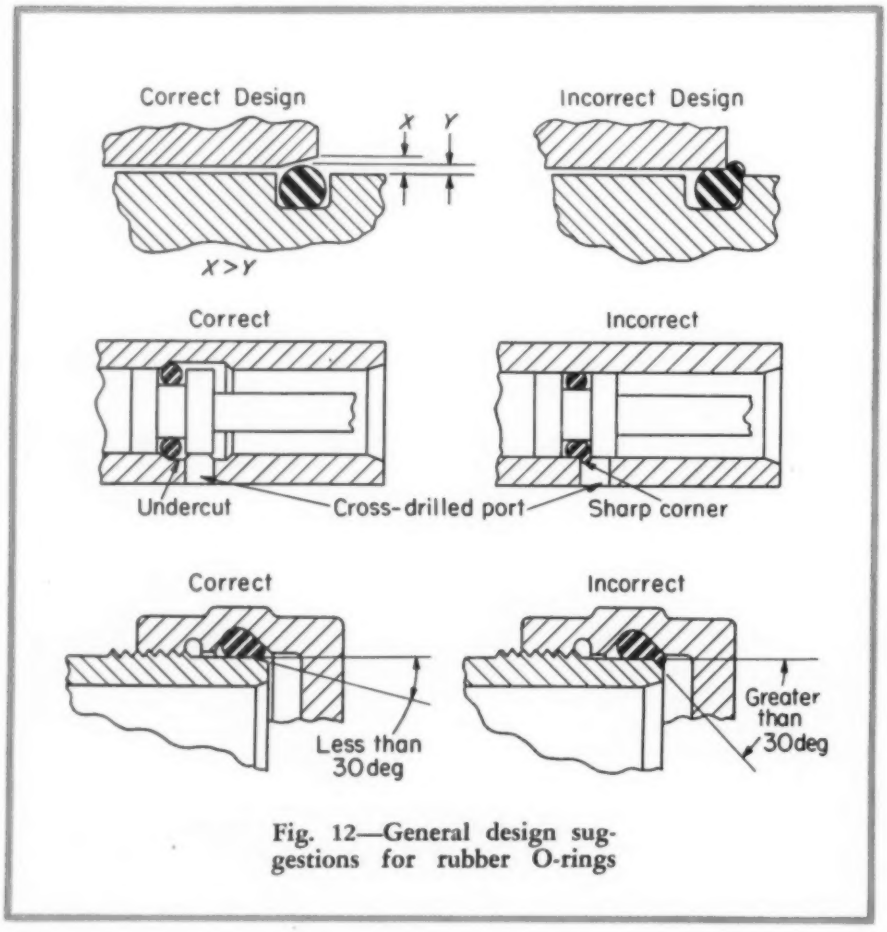


Fig. 12—General design suggestions for rubber O-rings

MEASUREMENT OF BOLT STRESSES: ASME rules for bolted flange connections provide means for determining required bolt loads for the operating and atmospheric conditions encountered, and also the required cross-section area of bolts, but they fail to provide means for determining how tight the bolt must be torqued in order to provide given loads and stresses. Unfortunately, there is no known method for determining this load accurately under usual shop conditions, but several methods of estimating such forces have been developed:

1. ***Estimate load*** from the formula $W = 16{,}000d$ where W = initial load due to screwing up, pounds; and d = nominal OD of screw thread, inches. This equation was developed experimentally as an indication of the load applied on the average by experienced mechanics. (For additional details, see ***Elements of Machine Design,*** Kimball and Barr, third edition.)

2. ***Specify torque-wrench settings*** in conjunction with ***Tables*** 6 and 7. The following qualifications apply in the use of these data:

   a. Bolts must be as described in the tables.
   b. Bolts must be well lubricated, preferably with oil and graphite. Nonlubricated bolts may rate only 50 per cent as efficient.
   c. Care must be exercised that gasket clears bolt threads and does not flow into them, creating extra torsional resistance.

3. ***Measure bolt elongation*** and, from estimated modulus of elasticity, calculate bolt stress.

4. ***Compute bolt stress*** from screw formulas. Remember, however, that refined calculations are considered useless and misleading by many authorities, especially for fastenings less than ⅞-inch diameter.

Stresses in Low-Pressure Joints: ASME formulas referred to previously have been developed from research dealing specifically with pipe joints for which standard flange sizes and designs and standard bolting specifications are available. They also concern gaskets which lie wholly inside the bolt circle. Many of the principles indicated are adaptable to gasketing in general but, for normal work with joints and covers of the many kinds that are found in factory assembled mechanisms, a somewhat different approach is indicated.

The function of bolts, screws, or other fasteners is to bring about optimum or required deflection of the gasket. Different gasket materials require or tolerate quite different compressive stresses, but for purposes of this discussion they can be broadly classified as: (1) the easily deformed, truly compressible types such as cork compositions and cork-and-rubber compounds, (2) incompressible compounds of rubber and rubber-like materials, and (3) fiber sheet packings.

EASILY COMPRESSED MATERIALS: General form of load-compression curves for these materials is as shown in *Fig.* 15 where points *A* and *B* have been located schematically. The part of the curve below point *A* involves pressures which are too low to be of any value in forming and maintaining a good seal, whereas above point *B* the material has been compressed nearly to its ultimate density. Forces higher than those represented by *B* are not only uneconomic in relation to additional compression produced but may produce some form of creep or internal rupture, manifested as excessive compression set.

Suggested compression range for soft gasketing is between points *A* and *B* where pressures are adequate to promote good contact of gasket to adjacent surfaces, but are still within the range where stress and strain are roughly proportional.

For typical materials within this classification, recommended deflections are as given in *Table* 8. The estimated loads to produce deflections within the recommended range must be used as a very general guide since they are affected by numerous variables, including temperature, rate of application of load, production tolerances in the materials under con-

Table 3—Standards for O-Rings*

O-Ring Specification Dash No.	O-Ring Section Diam	Diametral —Squeeze, min— Moving	Diametral —Squeeze, min— Static	*C* —Gland Width— Moving†	*C* —Gland Width— Static‡	*D* Groove Length	*R* Radius, min	2*E* Diametral Clearance, max
AN-6227								
1 to 7	0.070±0.003	0.010	0.015	0.057	0.052	3/32	1/64	0.005
8 to 14	0.103±0.003	0.010	0.017	0.090	0.083	9/64	1/64	0.005
15 to 27	0.139±0.004	0.012	0.022	0.123	0.113	3/16	1/32	0.006
28 to 52	0.210±0.005	0.017	0.032	0.188	0.173	9/32	3/64	0.007
53 to 88	0.275±0.006	0.029	0.049	0.240	0.220	3/8	1/16	0.008
AN-6230 Gaskets								
1 to 52	0.139±0.004	....	0.022	....	0.113	3/16	1/32	0.006

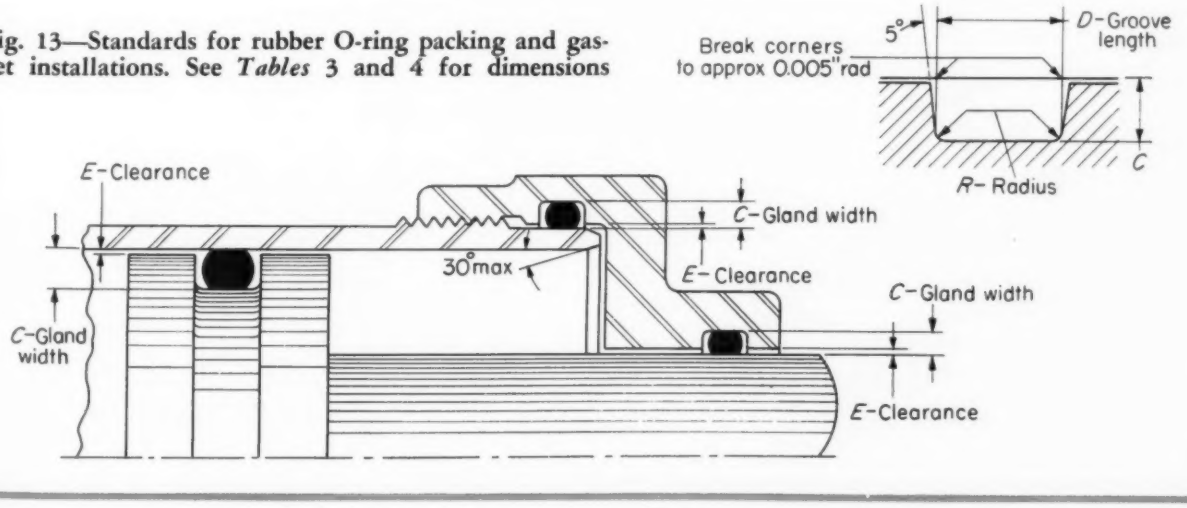
All dimensions in inches. *See *Fig.* 13 for explanation of dimensions. †Tolerance: +0.000, −0.001. ‡Tolerance: +0.000, −0.005.

Table 4—O-Ring Standards Using Backup Rings*

O-Ring Specification Dash No.	*D* Moving Seal Groove Length† 2 Rings	*D* Moving Seal Groove Length† 1 Ring	*D* Static Seal Groove Length† 2 Rings	*D* Static Seal Groove Length† 1 Ring
AN-6227				
1 to 7	0.206	0.139	0.211	0.144
8 to 14	0.238	0.171	0.245	0.178
15 to 27	0.275	0.208	0.285	0.218
28 to 52	0.410	0.311	0.425	0.326
53 to 88	0.538	0.408	0.558	0.428
AN-6230 Gaskets				
1 to 52	....	....	0.285	0.218

All dimensions in inches. *AN-6246 backup (nonextrusion rings); see *Fig.* 13 for explanation of dimensions; for other dimensions see *Table* 3. †Tolerance: +0.005, −0.000.

Fig. 13—Standards for rubber O-ring packing and gasket installations. See *Tables* 3 and 4 for dimensions



sideration, and character of flange finish.

STRAIGHT RUBBER COMPOUNDS: Load-deflection characteristics of parts cut from sheet rubber will be highly variable according to width and thickness of the gasket, character of the flange finish, lubricant present on the contact surfaces, Durometer hardness and modulus of the particular stock, temperature, and rate and method of load application. The problem is to apply enough pressure to seal the joint without loading so heavily as to overstress the rubber or cause excessive extrusion.

A general recommendation which may be followed is: For flat gaskets cut from a 60-Durometer (Shore type A) sheet rubber, figure 500 to 1000 psi on the area of the gasket. Decrease for softer rubbers, increase for harder compounds; but do not exceed 25 per cent deflection.

FIBER SHEET PACKINGS: Because of their relative firmness, fiber sheet materials generally require heavy pressures to cause adequate yielding for initial intimate contact. Many of them also develop impermeability by being compressed. Therefore, the problem is usually one of applying adequate load rather than being careful not to overload.

Cellulose-fiber materials in general require less flange pressure to effect a seal than asbestos-rubber types and are generally to be preferred in light-duty applications where constant operating temperatures do not exceed 160 F, and where environmental conditions are not detrimental to cellulose.

Suggested minimum loadings for fiber gaskets not required to hold fluid pressures are: vegetable fiber, 500 psi; compressed asbestos and other hard sheets, 1000 psi.

Bolt Spacing: In pressure vessels, bolt spacing (pitch) may vary from 7 times the bolt diameter for installations in which pressure is not over 50 psi to 3.5 times bolt diameter for installations in which pressure is 200 psi. Closer spacing must take into consideration the limiting factor of required wrench openings.

In low-pressure joints employing soft gaskets, bolt spacing need only follow considerations of properly distributing the flange pressure for reasonable equality over the face of the gasket. By ingenious design incorporating ribs and corrugations for extra rigidity of the metal members, a surprising degree of uniformity of contact pressure can be obtained in assemblies where the bolts are spaced very far apart.

Surface Finish: In joints designed for flat gaskets, some roughness is good. It helps keep the gasket from extruding or sliding out of the joint. A surface finish of 250 microinches, is suggested as a good practical finish for ordinary gasket applications.

Waviness and warping in flanges is objectionable if the joint is a heavy-duty one, but may be tolerated in nonpressure applications by the selection of soft, compressible gasket materials.

In O-ring joints, the gasket cavity must be very smoothly finished. The type of finish commonly known as superfinish is considered satisfactory, although in many installations the contact surfaces are chromium plated.

Gasket Thickness: Ultimate compressibility of the gasket must ex-

Table 5—O-Ring Static Seal Designs*

O-Ring Specification Dash No.	O-Ring Section Diam	Sketch a				Sketch b	
		A Groove Width†	*A (max)* Groove Width	*B* Groove Depth	*R* Radius, max	*C* Depth‡	*D* Width
AN-6227							
1 to 7	0.070±0.003	0.057	0.062	0.056	0.005	0.052	3/32
8 to 14	0.103±0.003	0.085	0.090	0.083	0.010	0.083	9/64
15 to 27	0.139±0.004	0.114	0.119	0.113	0.010	0.113	3/16
28 to 52	0.210±0.005	0.168	0.173	0.173	0.015	0.173	9/32
53 to 88	0.275±0.006	0.226	0.231	0.220	0.015	0.220	3/8
AN-6230 Gaskets							
1 to 52	0.139±0.004	0.114	0.119	0.113	0.010	0.113	3/16

All dimensions in inches. *See *Fig.* 14 for explanation of symbols. †To sharp corners. ‡Tolerances: +0.000, −0.005.

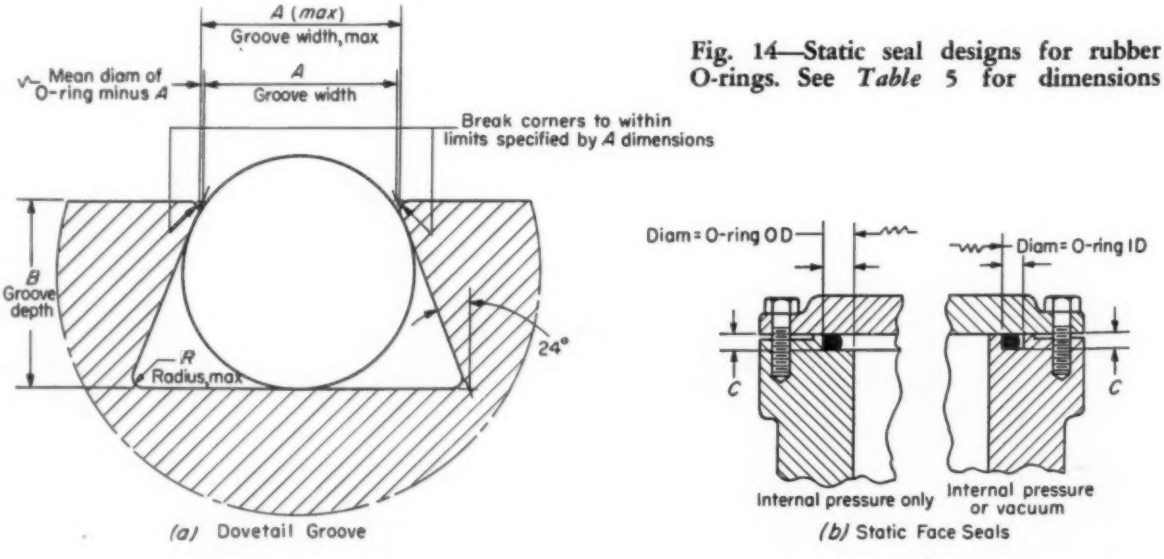


Fig. 14—Static seal designs for rubber O-rings. See *Table* 5 for dimensions

ceed the cumulative deviation of the two flange surfaces from perfect parallelism. For example, a commercial compressed-asbestos gasket ⅛-inch thick can be compressed only about 0.020-inch; if cumulative inaccuracies approach this amount, the joint cannot be sealed with ⅛-inch compressed-asbestos. Alternatives would be to consider the use of a still thicker compressed-asbestos gasket (which in most cases would be rather impractical) or the use of a softer, more yielding gasket.

Subject to the requirement just stated, gasket thickness is generally determined by rule of thumb: Use the thinnest gasket that will pack the joint. Since considerable leeway generally exists in the choice of gasket thickness, a standard or commercial thickness should be specified for reasons of economy and to facilitate procurement.

Practical Gasket Tolerances: Uninformed draftsmanship often results in specification of soft gaskets to metalworking tolerances. It is futile to expect to obtain nonmetallic gaskets to such tolerances, because:

1. The ability to be deformed under pressure, the property that really makes a material valuable for use as a gasket, also prevents a material from being processed commercially with the same precision as a rigid material. It yields under the pressure from tools, knives, wheels, or cutters.
2. The characteristic of easy deformability offers the further complication that gaskets cannot be measured uniformly by different people using different types of equipment. Therefore, tolerances must reflect not only the vendor's processing variations but also the probability that the user may inspect by different equipment and techniques than did the vendor.
3. Nearly all gasket materials show some response to temperature and humidity variations. Such atmospheric variations may affect both the hardness and dimensions of the gasket and, therefore, comparison is possible only if standard conditioning is prescribed for a suitable length of time prior to gaging. Even so, dimensional changes of a permanent type may occur with certain materials.

Commercial tolerances on most nonmetallic gaskets and gasket materials will range approximately as follows:

Thickness: Materials which are made by rolling or calendering or by paper-making processes, ± 10 per cent. Soft materials sliced or split from thicker sheets or blocks, ± 0.010 to ± 0.020-inch, depending on thickness.

Length, width, and spacing dimensions: ± 0.010 to ± 0.031-inch.

Diameters: Bolt holes, gasket and washer OD's and ID's, ± 0.010 to ± 0.020-inch.

This information on tolerances is for general guidance only. Individual vendors state tolerances applicable to their shops and products. In general, variation within a single gasket will be 50 per cent or less of the over-all variation specified for the lot. That is, the gasket vendor who wants tolerances of ± 0.015-inch over-all on thickness may be willing to accept a supplementary specification calling for a maximum variation of 0.010 or 0.015-inch in any one gasket.

Inspection of mass-produced gaskets is generally by some scientific sampling method, using tables corresponding to 2 to 10 per cent lot tolerance per cent defective, depending upon the type of material and end use. Gaskets produced for assembly-line use are generally purchased at a price which precludes any considerable cost of inspection. However, gasket producers will gen-

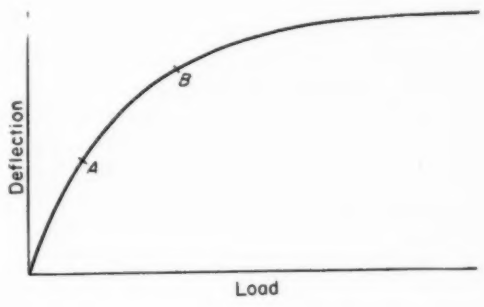


Fig. 15—Typical load-deflection curve for "soft" gasket materials

Table 6—Machine and Cold-Rolled Steel Bolt Stud Loads*

Bolt Nominal Diam (in.)	Threads per Inch	Thread Root Diam (in.)	Thread Root Area (in.²)	For 7500 psi Bolt Stress		For 15,000 psi Bolt Stress		For 30,000 psi Bolt Stress	
				Torque (lb-ft)	Compression (lb)	Torque (lb-ft)	Compression (lb)	Torque (lb-ft)	Compression (lb)
¼	20	0.185	0.027	1	203	2	405	4	810
5/16	18	0.240	0.045	2	388	4	675	8	1 350
⅜	16	0.294	0.068	3	510	6	1 020	12	2 040
7/16	14	0.345	0.093	5	698	10	1 395	20	2 790
½	13	0.400	0.126	8	945	15	1 890	30	3 780
9/16	12	0.454	0.162	12	1 215	23	2 430	45	4 860
⅝	11	0.507	0.202	15	1 515	30	3 030	60	6 060
¾	10	0.620	0.302	25	2 265	50	4 530	100	9 060
⅞	9	0.731	0.419	40	3 143	80	6 285	160	12 570
1	8	0.838	0.551	62	4 133	123	8 265	245	16 530
1⅛	7	0.939	0.693	98	5 190	195	10 380	390	20 760
1¼	7	1.064	0.890	137	6 675	273	13 350	545	26 700
1⅜	6	1.158	1.054	183	7 905	365	15 810	730	31 620
1½	6	1.283	1.294	219	9 705	437	19 410	875	38 820
1⅝	5½	1.389	1.515	300	11 363	600	22 725	1 200	45 450
1¾	5	1.490	1.744	390	13 080	775	26 160	1 550	52 320
1⅞	5	1.615	2.049	525	15 388	1 050	30 735	2 100	61 470
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*Data, courtesy Crane Co.

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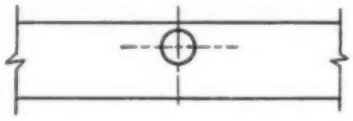
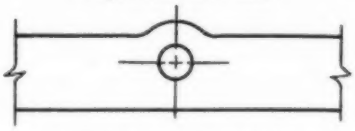
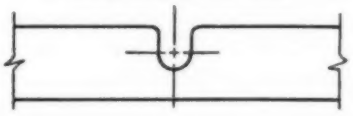
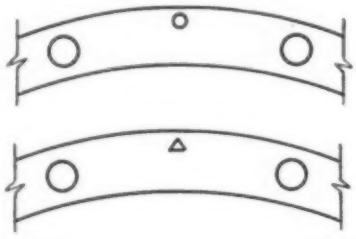
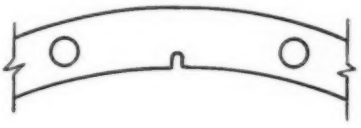
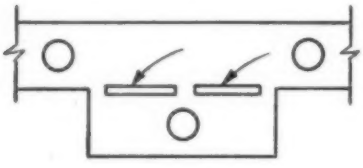
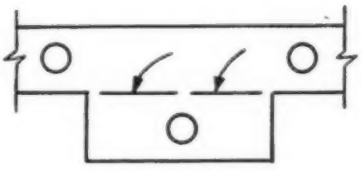
Bolt holes close to edge 	Causes breakage in stripping and assembling	Projection or "ear"  Notch instead of hole 
Very small bolt holes or noncircular openings 	Require hand picking easy to miss	Avoid hole sizes under 3 32-inch diameter. If small hole is for locating or indexing, change to notch 
Tear-away parts with open slots at attached edges 	Slots require hand picking; costly dies and die maintenance	Simple perforation 

Table 7—Alloy Steel Bolt Stud Loads*

Stud Nominal Diam	Threads per Inch	Thread Root Diam (in.)	Thread Root Area (in.²)	For 30,000 psi Bolt Stress		For 45,000 psi Bolt Stress		For 60,000 psi Bolt Stress	
				Torque (lb-ft)	Compression (lb)	Torque (lb-ft)	Compression (lb)	Torque (lb-ft)	Compression (lb)
¼	20	0.185	0.027	4	810	6	1 215	8	1 620
5/16	18	0.240	0.045	8	1 350	12	2 025	16	2 700
⅜	16	0.294	0.068	12	2 040	18	3 060	24	4 080
7/16	14	0.345	0.093	20	2 790	30	4 185	40	5 580
½	13	0.400	0.126	30	3 780	45	5 670	60	7 560
9/16	12	0.454	0.162	45	4 860	68	7 290	90	9 720
⅝	11	0.507	0.202	60	6 060	90	9 090	120	12 120
¾	10	0.620	0.302	100	9 060	150	13 590	200	18 120
⅞	9	0.731	0.419	160	12 570	240	18 855	320	25 140
1	8	0.838	0.551	245	16 530	368	24 795	490	33 060
1⅛	8	0.963	0.728	355	21 840	533	32,760	710	43 680
1¼	8	1.088	0.929	500	27 870	750	41 805	1 000	55 740
1⅜	8	1.213	1.155	680	34 650	1 020	51 975	1 360	69 300
1½	8	1.338	1.405	800	42 150	1 200	63 225	1 600	84 300
1⅝	8	1.463	1.680	1 100	50 400	1 650	75 600	2 200	100 800
1¾	8	1.588	1.980	1 500	59 400	2 250	89 100	3 000	118 800
1⅞	8	1.713	2.304	2 000	69 120	3 000	103 680	4 000	138 240
2	8	1.838	2.652	2 200	79 560	3 300	119 340	4 400	159 120
2¼	8	2.088	3.423	3 180	102 690	4 770	154 035	6 360	205 380
2½	8	2.338	4.292	4 400	128 760	6 600	193 140	8 800	257 520
2¾	8	2.588	5.259	5 920	157 770	8 880	236 655	11 840	315 540
3	8	2.838	6.324	7 720	189 720	11 580	284 580	15 440	379 440

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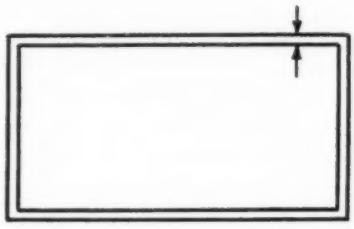
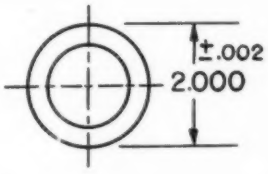
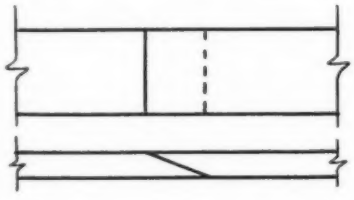
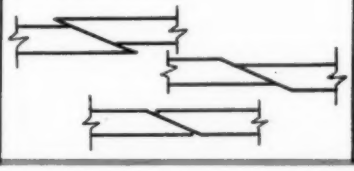
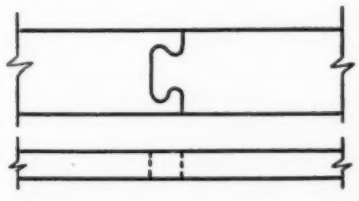
Detail	Why Faulty	Suggested Remedy
Thin walls, delicate cross section in relation to over-all size 	High scrap loss; stretching or distortion in shipment or use. Restricts choice to high tensile strength materials	Have the gasket in mind during early design stages
Metalworking tolerances applied to gasket thickness, diameters, length width, etc. 	Results in perfectly useable parts being rejected at incoming inspection. Requires time and correspondence to reach agreement on practical limits. Increases cost of parts and tooling. Delays deliveries.	Most gasket materials are compressible. Many are affected by humidity changes. Try standard or commercial tolerances before concluding that special accuracy is required
Transference of fillets, radii, etc., from mating metal parts to gasket	Unless part is molded, such features mean extra operations and higher cost.	Most gasket stocks will conform to mating parts without preshaping. Be sure radii, chamfers, etc., are functional, not merely copied from metal members
Large gaskets made in sections with beveled joints 	Extra operations to skive. Extra operations to glue. Difficult to obtain smooth, even joints without steps or transverse grooves. 	Die-cut dovetail joint 

Fig. 16—Common faults in gasket design

Table 8—Compression Ranges and Loads for "Soft" Gaskets

Material	Specifications		Recommended Compression (per cent)	Estimated Load (psi)
Cork composition	MIL-C-16090	MIL-G-12803 (ORD)		
	Class 1	G-2111, G-2211	40–60	100
	Class 2	G-2112, G-2212	35–55	125
	Class 3	G-2113, G-2213	30–50	150
	Class 4	G-2114, G-2214	20–40	200
Cork-and-rubber	MIL-G-6183	MIL-G-12803 (ORD)		
	Types I & II, Soft	G-1222-4, G-1223-4	25–40	175
	Types I & II, Med.	G-1222-3, G-1223-3	20–35	225
	Types I & II, Firm	G-1222-2, G-1223-2	15–25	400

erally agree to supply closer than commercial tolerances and special inspection at extra cost and by specific agreement. The purchaser should be sure that such noncommercial standards are required and are not an indication of a design defect which should be corrected by means other than the imposition of special tolerances on the gasket.

Assembly-Line Design: Conditions

prevailing on a rapidly moving assembly line frequently call for features which are of no interest or importance to the small-lot user. Such features are:

1. For rapid handling, select a stiff gasket in preference to a floppy one, less easy to place in position.

2. Gaskets which are almost, but not quite, symmetrical should be provided with an index notch or other feature to signal the proper position relative to adjacent parts.

3. Very large gaskets may be easier to handle if brought to the job in sections with interlocking ends rather than in one solid piece. Also, if the bolt holes are made elongated instead of perfectly round, such gaskets will go in place faster.

4. Where character of fit is critical (that is, avoiding a too-loose or too-tight fit), it is a good idea to provide the gasket manufacturer with an approved part or assortment of parts to which he can fit the gasket. Due to differences in measuring techniques and equipment, merely following a blueprint will not guarantee that the gasket will fit the part in the manner desired.

5. Avoid having lubricants and wet adhesives on any flanges where slipping can occur, or use gaskets which do not slip on oily surfaces.

Common Errors: Gasket design details which may give the fabricator trouble or which may lead to disappointing results in service are shown in *Fig.* 16, along with suggestions for avoiding these faults.

SPECIFICATIONS AND TESTING

GASKET specifications are designed to give the gasket user a control instrument whereby he can derive reasonable assurance of receiving successive lots of an item alike in quality, and suitable for the intended purpose. Thus, a double concept is introduced—quality control and performance.

A quality control specification describes physical characteristics which are used to specify a material which has been demonstrated historically to suit the application involved.

A performance specification is intended to pass any kind of product that performs the required functions in accordance with minimum specified efficiency and durability.

The idea of an end-use specification based on performance tests is very attractive and certainly something that every user of gasket materials would like to have available. However, this ideal is seldom realized, and gasket specifications tend to be simple control instruments, since:

1. A performance specification must be written around a very narrow and specific set of reproducible service conditions, whereas the possible combinations of gasket service conditions are infinite.

2. Attempts to accelerate actual service conditions in a so-called performance test have resulted in the addition of further complications.

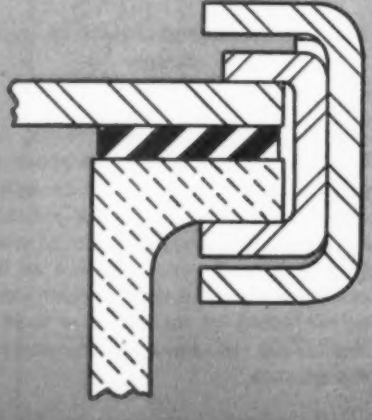
Even with these points in mind, it is difficult for most people to disassociate the idea of performance from specification figures. This introduces certain misconceptions and abuses. For instance, there is the idea that because one material does not meet the control standards written around another product it must be inferior. Actually, the reverse could be true.

Progress in the development of new products tends to be impeded, since there is the temptation to the manufacturer to devote his research to the development of products which will pass existing specifications rather than to the development of new products which will perform better in service.

Reverence for specification values may result in the use of tests peculiar to a given industry, but which have little relation to end use of the product. For example, paper gasket specifications sometimes incorporate ream weight and Mullen burst requirements which are recognized as good tests in the paper industry, but which when carried over to gaskets have little apparent application.

Testing Procedures and Evaluation: The subject of testing gasket materials is involved because of the variety of available materials and the galaxy of service conditions and combinations thereof which must be met. The objective is to develop a service type test which would indicate in a short time whether a given material would stand up under certain conditions. This goal has rarely been attained, even for comparatively simple applications. The current practice is to draw conclusions from the results of various fundamental physical measurements, supplemented by simulated service (or "practical") tests designed to duplicate the usage in an accelerated fashion. These last often do not work properly because of the attempt at acceleration.

Most gasket materials are sold on specifications which prescribe the physical and chemical properties sufficiently to insure that the purchase of a specified material which has been demonstrated historically as able to provide a satisfactory seal under certain conditions. These specifications include certain tests of funda-



Watt-Hour Meter

Soft enough to take up irregularities in the glass cover and die-cast meter base, the gasket used in this watt-hour meter must also withstand abrasion caused by turning the cover into usual attachment slots. The cork-and-rubber (neoprene) gasket is compressible, and is treated to reduce surface friction and abrasion.

mental properties:

1. Density
2. Tensile strength
3. Compression and recovery
4. Dimensional change
5. Flexibility
6. Resistance to liquids

Additional tests have been designed which either give values which supplement the fundamentals listed previously or are variations:

Tensile strength after exposure to heat, dry atmospheres, wet atmospheres, and/or various liquids. Usually after reconditioning.

Wet tensile strength immediately after removal from immersion in various liquids.

Tearing resistance by various recognized methods.

Bursting strength—Mullen.

Porosity — measurement of the passage through the material (perpendicular to the plane of the sheet) of gases or liquids.

Dimensional and weight change after exposure to various atmospheric conditions in different combinations, and to various liquids.

Hardness by indentation, Shore Durometer, Pusey & Jones Plastometer, or other devices.

Moisture content as received or in conjunction with dimensional change tests.

Compressibility — load-compression-recovery characteristics with wide range of loads and times.

Compression set (permanent set) by ASTM method A—constant load; or B—constant deflection.

Wicking action—with one end of a strip immersed in liquid, measurement of the rate of rise of the liquid.

Coefficient of static friction by observing the angle at which the sample slides on an incline plane, or by measuring the force required to move the sample on a horizontal plane. With various surfaces and pressures.

Coefficient of static friction between flange plates under compression.

Service tests developed by manufacturers and users are essentially the subjection of a gasket at controlled compression to the action of a gas or liquid at controlled pressure, temperature and flow. If these yield satisfactory data it is usually because they duplicate the service condition in almost every particular including time. Since leakage of gaskets is a complicated affair, attempts at making them leak quickly do not agree very well with results obtained in practice.

While there are several experi-

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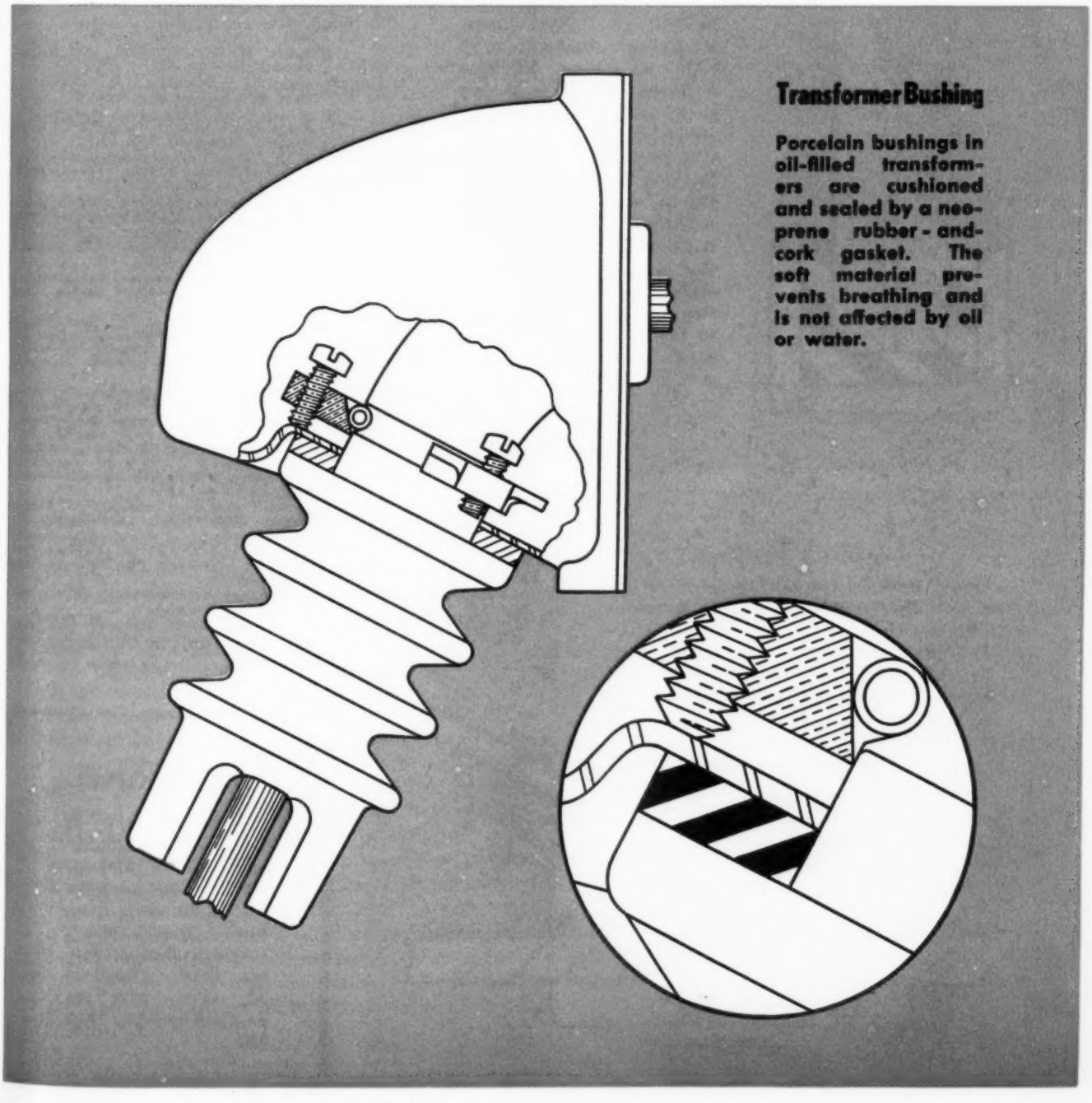
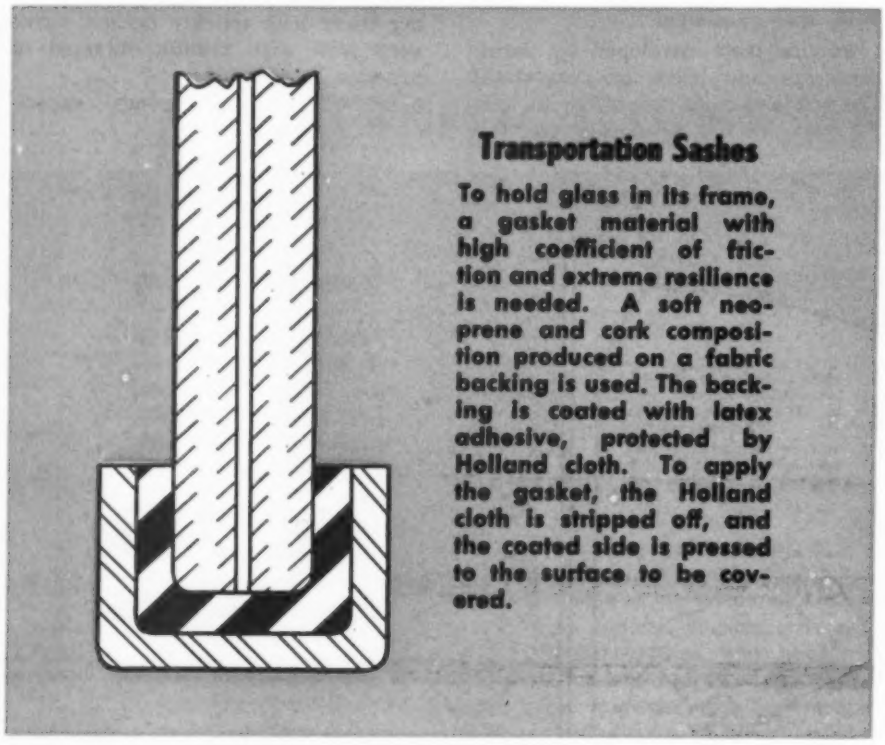


Transformer Bushing

Porcelain bushings in oil-filled transformers are cushioned and sealed by a neoprene rubber-and-cork gasket. The soft material prevents breathing and is not affected by oil or water.

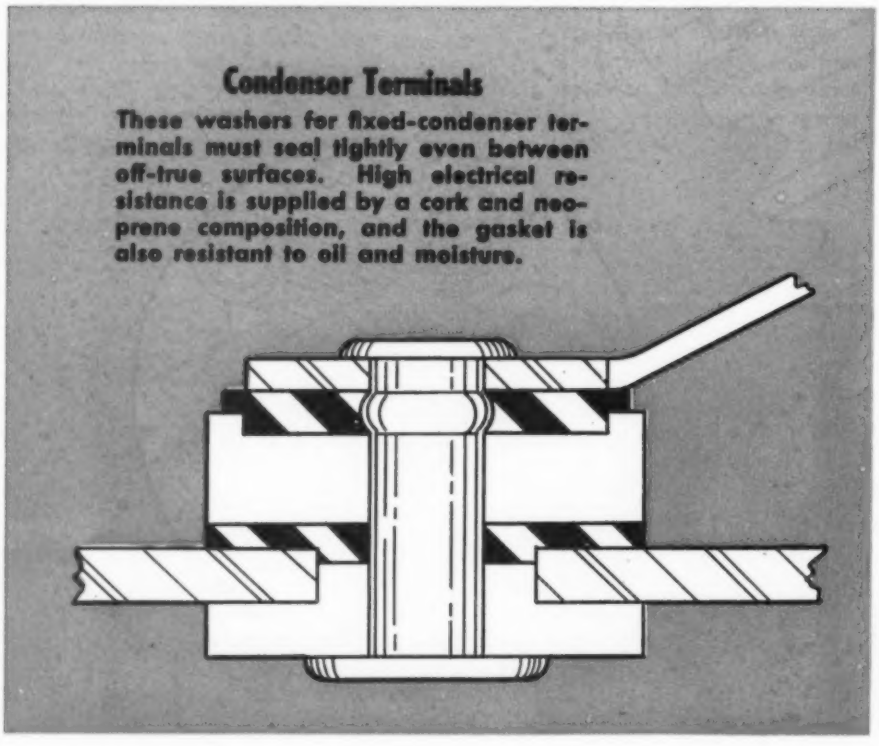
mental developments being carried on by various laboratories to develop a technique for measuring stress relaxation or gasket "kickback," the only satisfactory method for use under field and shop conditions is the measurement of torque loss.

General procedure is to screw up on the bolts with a torque wrench to a specified reading, and then subject the assembly to a certain set of conditions for a specified time. The breakaway torque is then measured and compared with the original torque. Quite a case could be made for the inherent inaccuracies of such determinations, but as a practical means of quickly and easily getting some idea of relative properties, and under production-line conditions, there is little that can be said against this procedure. Experienced observers, however, will refrain from concluding that excessive torque loss must necessarily and definitely be attributed to the gasket. Other causes can be involved, such as relaxation in the bolts and flanges, or differential response to temperature changes.



Transportation Sashes

To hold glass in its frame, a gasket material with high coefficient of friction and extreme resilience is needed. A soft neoprene and cork composition produced on a fabric backing is used. The backing is coated with latex adhesive, protected by Holland cloth. To apply the gasket, the Holland cloth is stripped off, and the coated side is pressed to the surface to be covered.



Condenser Terminals

These washers for fixed-condenser terminals must seal tightly even between off-true surfaces. High electrical resistance is supplied by a cork and neoprene composition, and the gasket is also resistant to oil and moisture.

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Applying Magnetic-Particle Clutches and Brakes

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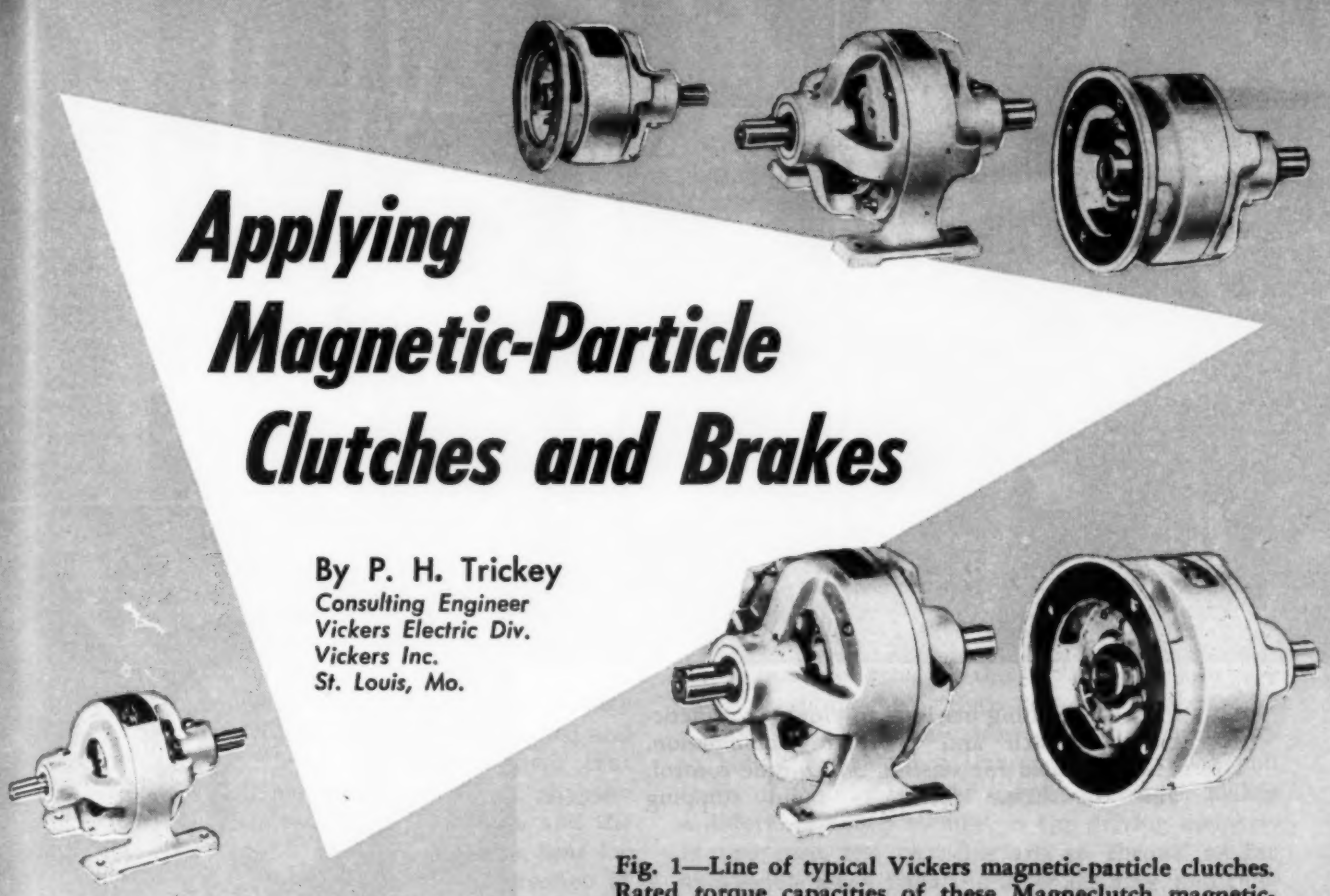


Fig. 1—Line of typical Vickers magnetic-particle clutches. Rated torque capacities of these Magneclutch magnetic-particle clutches cover a range from 10 to 200 lb-ft

MORE than six years have passed since research reports on the magnetic-particle clutch were first released. During that period, development progress on this new type of clutch has followed a pattern common to most inventions. Numerous designs have been produced and put into service in a variety of different applications, both military and commercial. Such field experience has borne out early predictions of smooth operation, long life and other advantageous performance characteristics.

A typical line of clutches for foot mounting and flange mounting is shown in *Fig.* 1. The small brake shown in *Fig.* 2 is used in tapping machines. Application of this small magnetic-particle brake on a winding machine, in combination with a magnetic-particle clutch, is illustrated in *Fig.* 3.

Application problems have been fewer than would be expected in a product of this type. Difficulties encountered have been, primarily, ones of applying the clutch in particular types of service. This experience points up the fact that the magnetic-particle clutch can offer certain advantages over other clutching devices, but only when properly applied. To obtain optimum performance in any given application, certain basic factors must be considered.

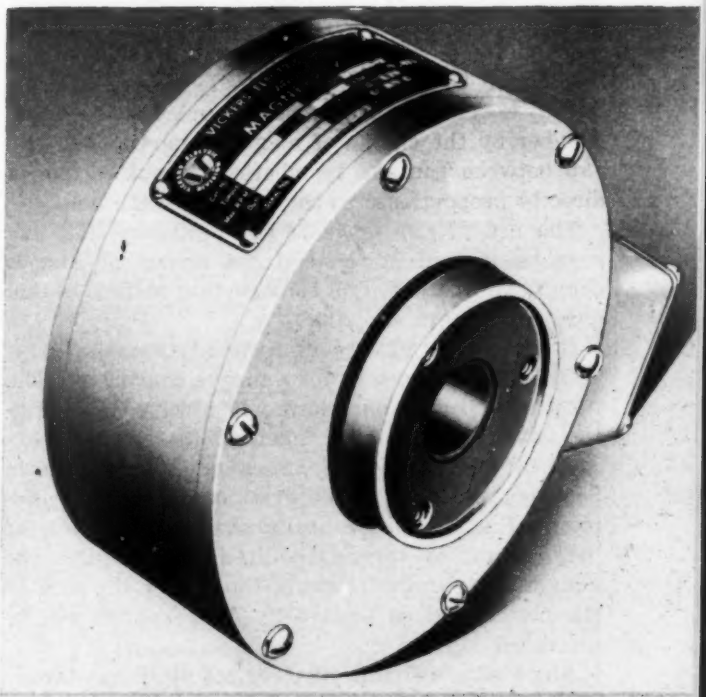


Fig. 2—Magnebrake magnetic-particle brake for use on tapping machines. Rated braking torque capacity is 25 lb-ft

Torque: In principle, the magnetic-particle clutch

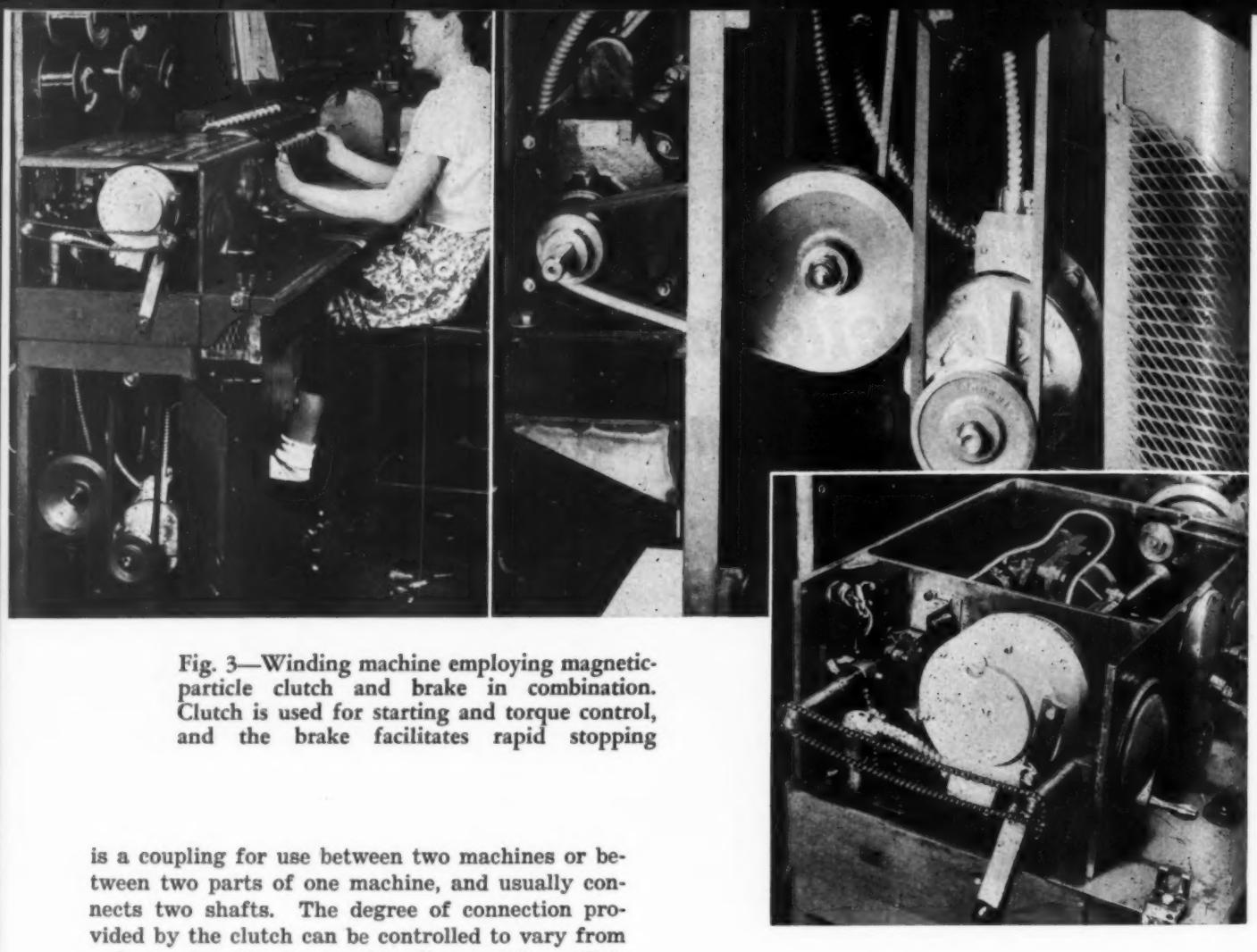


Fig. 3—Winding machine employing magnetic-particle clutch and brake in combination. Clutch is used for starting and torque control, and the brake facilitates rapid stopping

is a coupling for use between two machines or between two parts of one machine, and usually connects two shafts. The degree of connection provided by the clutch can be controlled to vary from a firm connection to complete disconnection. This degree of connection, which determines the torque transmitted by the coupling, is a function of the magnetic flux generated regardless of whether the two coupled parts are stationary or rotating.

A clutch construction using slip rings is shown in *Fig.* 4. The inner member is coupled to the outer member by the chains of magnetic particles in the gap between the two members. Output torque is directly proportional to the current in the coil.

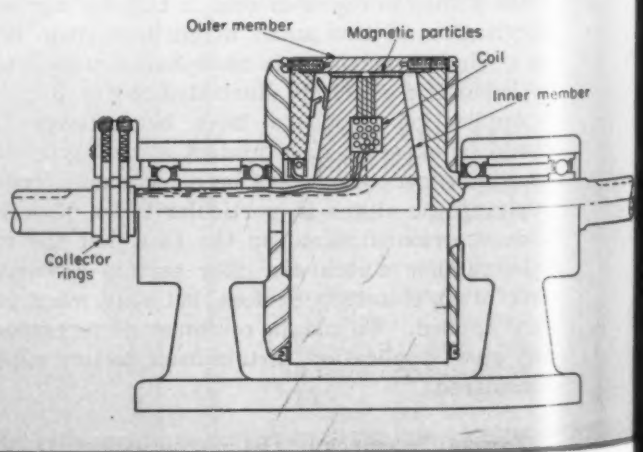
The use of slip rings is not necessary and has been eliminated in the clutches shown in *Fig.* 1. *Fig.* 5 shows a patented construction method which does not require slip rings.

It should be clearly understood that the magnetic-particle clutch is not a torque converter. The torque applied at one shaft will always be exactly the same as the torque taken off at the other, except for the negligible losses due to friction in bearings and seals. The first consideration in applying this clutch or brake should, therefore, be the amount of torque required. The larger the amount of required torque, the larger the size of the clutch, unless limited by heat loss as will be discussed later.

Since slip will immediately result if the torque of the clutch is exceeded, it is important to carefully consider any overload that may be expected. Electric motors, for example, will carry more than double load for a short time. If an electric motor is driving a load through a magnetic-particle clutch, the clutch may be required to carry any torque the motor will carry, perhaps up to 2½ times full-load torque.

As shown in *Fig.* 6, the torque transmitted is essentially proportional to the coil current and will vary when the current is changed. Thus, if the voltage is low, the torque will be low. Also, the

Fig. 4—Typical magnetic-particle clutch construction employing slip rings for electrical connection with dc coil power source



resistance of the coil will be lower when the coil is cool than when the clutch has attained normal operating temperature. Clutches usually are designed to carry their load on 90 per cent voltage, with the unit operating at full-load-rated temperature rise. The direct-current supply for the coil is often obtained through use of a transformer and rectifier. It is important that voltage drops through such devices are not overlooked.

As previously mentioned, the magnetic-particle clutch will slip when the rated torque is exceeded. Proper allowance must be made to meet all required overload conditions. For some applications, however, it is preferred that the clutch does not carry an overload. Many clutches are applied for the specific purpose of limiting the amount of torque which can be applied to the load or taken from the motor. The aim is to eliminate the danger of burning out a motor due to overloading, or to protect a product or a machine from breakage due to excess torque or a jammed load.

In such applications, the clutch slips harmlessly while the cause of the stoppage is determined and corrected. It must be remembered, however, that even though no other damage will result, slippage for too long a time will cause heat loss, and the clutch must be capable of dissipating this heat for a period of time sufficient to permit correction of the trouble. This aspect will be discussed more fully later.

Speed: Torque transmitted by a magnetic-particle clutch is essentially independent of speed. In general, there is no difference between the torque transmitted when a clutch is rotating and when it is not. This characteristic is a rather unique feature since, in all friction clutches, the breakaway torque is much greater than the slipping torque. In a magnetic-particle clutch, with the breakaway and running torques the same, there is a complete absence of chatter when the clutch is engaged.

In general torque will remain the same from standstill to full speed. Occasionally, there may be a design in which the magnetic particles align themselves more advantageously in the gap at higher speeds so that the torque will increase slightly as the speed increases. At very high speeds, a limitation due to the effect of centrifugal force on the magnetic particles is approached. The limitation is not fixed exactly since, up to a point, it can be partially overcome by greater coil current. However, if the speed goes high enough, no practical value of current or coil power is sufficient to hold the magnetic particles against the centrifugal force.

Expressing the speed limit in a simple exact figure is complicated by the particle action as this limit is approached. Once the magnetic particle chains are established, less current is necessary to hold them in place than was required to pull them in from the outer member. It also makes a difference which member is the driving member. In one case, the particles are all thrown as far as possible away from the inner member, and they must be pulled back against centrifugal force acrosss the intervening space. In the other case, the particles remain close to the inner member and are relatively easy to make into chains.

These effects have more bearing on a controlled slip clutch than on an "off-on" type. Thus, if the upper speed limit is to be approached, it is quite important to properly choose which shall be the driving member. However, for the normal clutch sizes and for speeds comparable to motor-drive speeds, this limitation is not usually a critical factor.

Fig. 5—Magnetic-particle clutch design in which slip rings have been eliminated

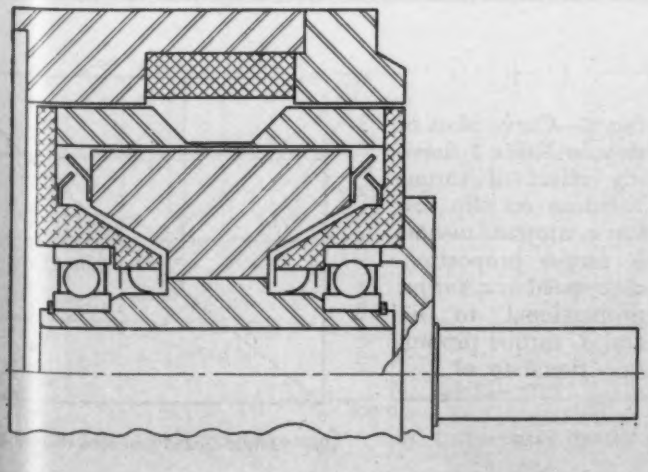
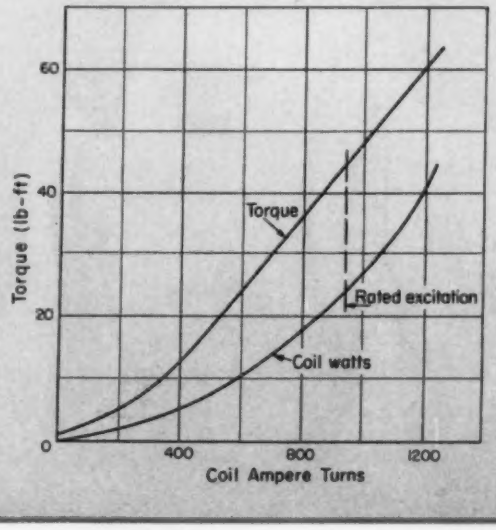


Fig. 6 — Typical performance curves for magnetic-particle clutch



Slip Loss: If it has been determined that the torque developed by the clutch will be sufficient for the application, the next factor to be considered is the heat which must be dissipated because of slip loss. This is a vital consideration.

The fact that the torque at each end of the clutch is the same must be kept clearly in mind. If the speeds at each end are different, the clutch is "slipping". The power at each end is proportional to the product of the corresponding values of torque and speed or, expressed in equation form,

$$P = \frac{Tn}{7050} \quad \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots (1)$$

where P = power in kilowatts, T = torque in pound-feet and n = speed in rpm. If the power into one end of the clutch is 10 kilowatts, and the power coming out the other end is 5 kilowatts, the difference of 5 kilowatts must be dissipated in the clutch as heat loss. For example, a power value of 10 hp, or 7.46 kw, corresponds to a torque of 30 lb-ft at 1752 rpm. Thus, if the input shaft is supplied with 30 lb-ft at 1752 rpm, 30 lb-ft will be delivered at the output shaft at any speed from 1752 to zero rpm. For the same speed at both ends, power input and output are equal and the slip is zero. No slip loss has to be dissipated by the clutch and the size of clutch is determined by torque requirements alone.

If on the other hand, the output torque of 30 lb-ft is delivered at half speed, 876 rpm, the power output, from Equation 1, will be: $30(876)/7050 = 3.73$ kw. In this case, clutch slip, s, is 0.5 and the difference in power, or slip loss, is 3.73 kw. This slip loss must be dissipated as heat, and the heat-dissipating area of the clutch surfaces, rather than the torque capacity, will be the major factor in determining the size of the clutch. A clutch of a size adequate to dissipate the heat would provide torque sufficient to the application.

Should the output speed be zero, the amount of heat to be dissipated would be maximum and equal to the power input. There would be no actual power output, even though torque is exerted.

If it were not for the fanning effect created by the rotation of a part of the heat-dissipating surface, it would be more than twice as difficult to dissipate the heat. Clutches having large surfaces rotating at high speeds will, of course, dissipate more watts. Maximum air cooling can be attained by proper design of integral fans and fan blades. The heat-dissipating abilities of various sizes of typical clutches are given in *Table* 1.

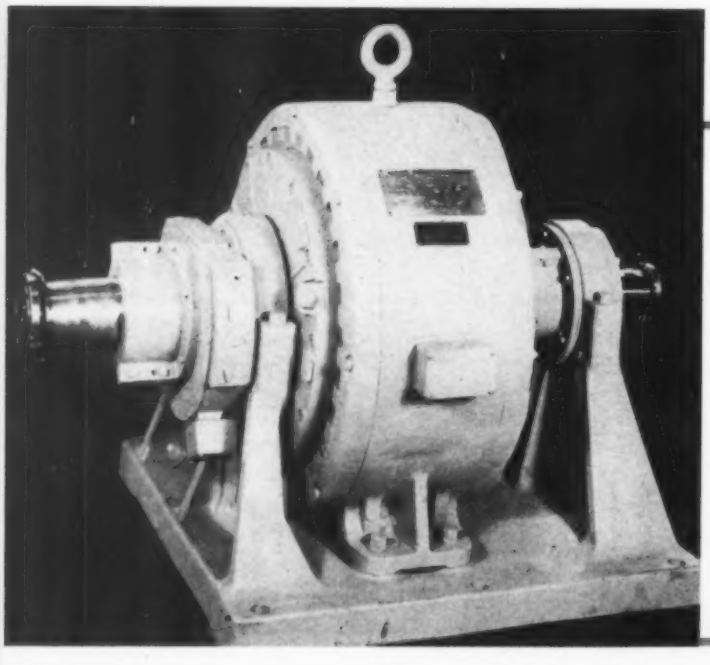
Water cooling is especially effective, particularly if both clutch members are cooled, but adds to clutch cost. A 300 hp water-cooled clutch which will dissipate over 70 kw heat loss has been developed, *Fig.* 7.

Table 1—Heat Dissipation of Typical Magnetic-Particle Clutches

Rated Torque (lb-ft)	Maximum Operating Speed (rpm)	Heat Dissipation* (watts)	Clutch Weight (lb)	Clutch Diameter (in.)	Clutch Length† (in.)
10	6000	100	29	6⅛	7⅝
45	5000	315	74	8½	10½
100	4500	375	124	10	12
200	3600	430	233	12½	14¾

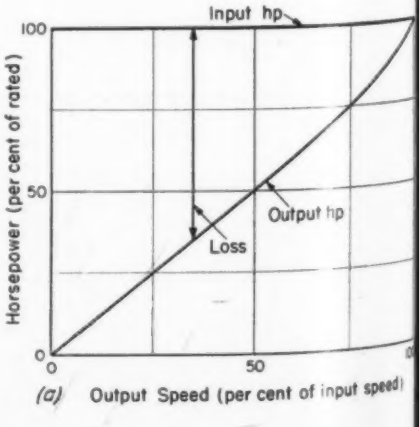
*At 1800 rpm of outer member. †Less shaft extensions.

Fig. 7—Water-cooled magnetic particle clutch for high slip applications. Rated at 300 hp, the design will dissipate 70 kw slip loss



Variable Torque Loads: In variable-speed applications, the torque may be constant regardless of speed, or may vary with speed. The manner in which torque varies has a great effect on the amount of slip loss and the speed at which the maximum loss occurs. The importance of this

Fig. 8—Curve plots of data in *Table* 2 showing effect of torque variation on slip loss for: *a*, constant torque; *b*, torque proportional to speed n; *c*, torque proportional to n^2; and *d*, torque proportional to n^3



effect on the maximum amount of heat which must be dissipated is illustrated in *Table* 2 and *Fig.* 8. For example, a much larger variable-speed clutch would be necessary for a friction load with constant torque from zero to full speed, *Fig.* 8*a*, than for a fan load where the maximum loss would be 14.8 per cent, occurring at two-thirds speed, *Fig.* 8*c*.

It is apparent that if speeds and loads are chosen to give the minimum amount of slip, the smallest clutch can be used. For example, it would be better to use a 14-pole, 3428-rpm generator, coupled to a 60 cycle, 3500 rpm drive motor, to produce 400 cycle current than a 16-pole, 3000-rpm generator. In the first case, the slip would be: $s = (3500-3428)/3500 = 0.0206$, or 2.06 per cent loss. In the second case, the slip would be: $s = (3500-3000)/3500 = 0.143$ or 14.3 per cent loss, almost seven times greater.

If it were necessary to use the 3000 rpm generator, it would be better, so far as the clutch is concerned, to use a drive motor with high slip. This would give less loss in the clutch, although the motor itself might be slightly larger and less efficient.

Acceleration: It has been mentioned previously that in "on-off" service, with the clutch "locked-up" and having no slip, there would be no loss. There is an exception to this rule, however, which should be considered for each application.

If the clutch is coupled to a high-inertia load, there will be slip loss during the accelerating period. The amount of energy which must be stored in the rotating load is

$$E = \frac{WR^2n_L^2}{4330} \qquad (2)$$

where E = stored energy, watt-seconds; W = weight of rotating load, pounds; R = radius of gyration, feet; and n_L = load speed, rpm.

If the clutch goes from 100 per cent slip to zero slip, the average efficiency will be 50 per cent and the clutch must dissipate a loss exactly equal to the energy supplied to the load. As an example, assume that a clutch must start a steel flywheel 10 times a minute. The flywheel is 10 inches in diameter and 2 inches thick. Operating speed is $n_L = 1750$ rpm; sufficient braking torque is externally applied to bring the flywheel to rest between cycles. It is further assumed that there is no friction, and no inertia in the clutch itself or in any other unit except the flywheel. By calculation, $W = 44.3$ lb (weight of steel is taken as 0.282 lb/cubic in.) and $R = 0.295$ ft. From Equation 2, $E = [44.3(0.295)^2(1750)^2]/4330 = 2730$ watt-seconds.

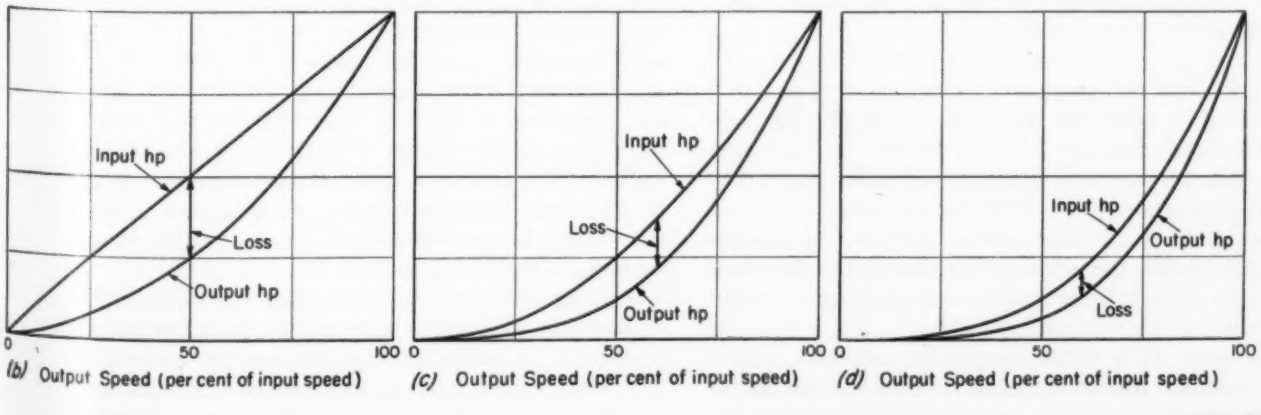
Since this energy must be dissipated each time the clutch starts the flywheel, the average power dissipation, based on 6-second operating intervals, is $2730/6 = 455$ watts.

If the problem is more complex, care must be

Table 2—Effect of Torque Variation on Slip Loss

Basic Relationships	Loss, L*	Max. Loss (per cent of input)	Max. Slip, s
T = constant $P \propto n$ (Friction Load)	$L = P_i s$	100	1.00
$T \propto n$ $P \propto n^2$ (Conveyor Load)	$L = P_i s (1 - s)$	25	0.500
$T \propto n^2$ $P \propto n^3$ (Fan Load)	$L = P_i s (1 - s)^2$	14.8	0.333
$T \propto n^3$ $P \propto n^4$	$L = P_i s (1 - s)^3$	10.53	0.250
$T \propto n^z$ $P \propto n^{z+1}$	$L = P_i s (1 - s)^z$	$\frac{z^z}{(z+1)^{z+1}}$	$\frac{1}{z+1}$

*Subscript notation i denotes input conditions.



exercised to evaluate all factors involved. For instance, *all* of the inertia to be accelerated must be accounted for, such as the inertia of the driven clutch member, couplings or pulleys and any reciprocating machine parts. The total WR^2 value for the system may be found by summing up the different individual WR^2 values, corrected to compensate for variations in motion characteristics. For machine parts rotating at speeds other than clutch speed, the corrected or effective value of WR^2 may be determined by applying a correction factor that is the inverse ratio of the square of the speeds. For example, the effective WR^2 value of a part rotating at a speed n_1, when translated to clutch shaft speed n_C, would be,

$$(WR^2)_{eff} = (WR^2)_1 \left(\frac{n_1}{n_C}\right)^2 \quad \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots (3)$$

For parts moving in a straight line instead of rotating, the effective WR^2 value may be calculated from,

$$(WR^2)_{eff} = \frac{w\,v^2}{39.48\,n_C} \quad \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots (4)$$

where w = weight of moving part, pounds, and v = linear velocity of moving part, fpm.

If, in addition to the inertia load, there is also a large friction or power load, the loss due to such load must also be added to the acceleration losses.

Braking: When a magnetic-particle clutch is used as a brake, all of the stored energy must be dissipated in the brake members. Since braking usually involves rapidly repeated stops, accurate calculation of losses is a fundamental step in determining brake size.

Clutch-Brake Applications: Clutch and brake combinations can be frequently used to advantage in production machinery to speed up operations. For these units, the torque necessary to start or stop a given amount of inertia in a given time can be calculated from,

$$T_s = \frac{WR^2\,n_L}{308\,t} \quad \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots (5)$$

where t = time, seconds, and T_s = required starting or stopping torque, lb-ft.

Application Experience: After more than four years of continuous service, magnetic-particle clutches operating at from 2 to 10 per cent slip in military use and holding constant speed for laboratory generators still are operating with no signs of wear or other deterioration. Magnetic-particle brakes on tapping machines have operated as many as 2 million cycles with no sign of wear and without need of adjustment.

The ease with which magnetic-particle clutches and brakes can be applied in complicated automatic circuits, and for remote control, has stimulated their acceptance in these days of automation. Extremely low control power requirements permit use of minimum-sized electronic and magnetic amplifiers, which are necessary with low-level detectors such as thermocouples or photocells.

The excellent record of service established by the magnetic-particle clutch during the early years of development shows it be capable of a high degree of performance. Like any other device, however, it has its own particular sphere of use and should not be misapplied.

Monitor Watches Diesel Engine Operation

BECAUSE diesel engines operate most efficiently within a certain optimum temperature range, monitoring exhaust temperature can provide the operator with an indication of engine performance. As engine temperature rises, efficiency drops. Since load and efficiency of a diesel engine are directly related, exhaust temperature will rise as load increases.

Excessive exhaust temperature indicates an overloaded and inefficiently operating engine. To warn the diesel engine operator of an overload condition, Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co. has developed an indicating device using a bimetal temperature element.

Two units comprise the complete device: an indicator and a sensing unit. Consisting of two pilot lights in a small case, the indicator may be mounted on a truck dash or on a motor control panel where it would be easily visible to the operator. The sensing device, or temperature-operated switch, is designed to be inserted into a tapped hole conveniently located in the exhaust system. Heart of the sensing unit is a helical bimetal switch which will open a normally closed contact at one temperature and close a normally opened contact at another temperature.

Power for the complete system can be provided by the vehicle storage battery. Any power source capable of lighting the pilot lamps is adequate.

In operation, an amber "caution" light indicates a lower than normal operating temperature. During operation at normal temperatures and normal efficiency, neither lamp is lighted. When exhaust temperature exceeds the predetermined danger point, a red indicator lights. In this way a truck driver can be warned to shift to a lower gear ratio to reduce the load.

Preliminary models, according to Minneapolis-Honeywell engineers, were set to indicate normal operation at temperatures between 450 and 650 F. However, adjustment is provided to alter this temperature range to fit any specific diesel engine or exhaust system.

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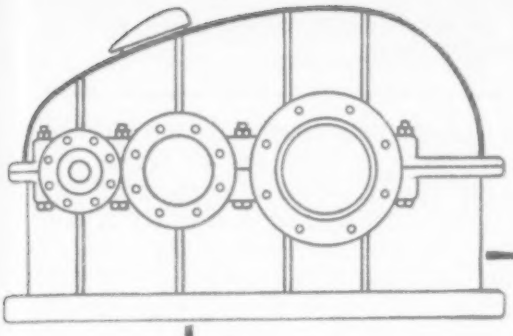

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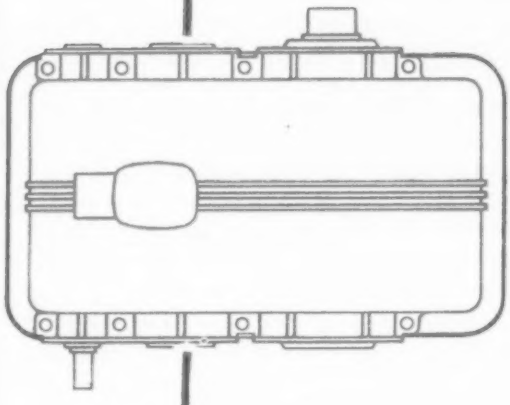


In this, the concluding article of the series, attention will be given to several practical problems requiring special methods of attack for series planning. Representative types of machines to be treated include constant-speed pumps, reciprocating machines, centrifugal governors and servomotor speed regulators.

BASIC principles and methods of machine series planning treated in the two previous articles of this series are continued here with emphasis on several special design problems. In the following discussion, which is essentially an extension of *Part* 3, attention will be given to isotakic pump series—the common case of pumps directly driven by electric motors. Succeeding discussions consider several design problems involving special techniques of analysis. The solutions developed in these latter sections are presented, not so much for the significance of each particular case, but rather for the general observations and conclusions reached which may be useful in other problem areas.

Constant-Speed Pumps: For direct-driven pumps operating at fixed angular velocities, series planning is complicated by certain practical considerations which cannot be readily resolved by the fundamental criteria and methods demonstrated in *Part* 3. The nature of these difficulties is perhaps best illustrated by an analysis of the mixed-flow pump line developed in *Part* 3 and depicted graphically in *Fig.* 21.

For convenience, this chart has been duplicated in modified form in *Fig.* 28. Complete curve plots for each of the pump models in the line have been omitted and only the normal or design points, which lie among a line of constant head, $H = 37.9$ ft, have been shown. As an aid to analysis, dotted lines of $\omega_r = \omega/\omega_s$ = constant, are shown. These lines correspond to the specific speed of the pump line ($\omega_s = 5640$) and to the usual standard 60-cycle motor speeds (1740, 1160, 870 and 580 rpm). Also, through the normal point of each pump model, the corresponding line of specific volume is drawn.

It is evident that the points of intersection of these two families of dotted parallel lines represent, as shown, the normal points of the mixed-flow pump models operating under the fixed velocity conditions of the electric-motor drives. Thus, the mixed-flow pump line which was logical and rational as an isodromic series, has now become completely irrational, as if the models had been selected by chance. This result indicates that a homothetic line does not also lend itself to the function of an isotakic series or, that if the different requirements of both series have to be met, the criterion of selection must be revised.

Any attempt to distribute a homothetic series of several elements in the volume-pressure plane so as to make full use of the fixed velocities will only lead to failure because the velocity

series has no relation to the progression that such a rational disposition would require. To overcome this difficulty, the velocities would have to follow a geometrical progression related to the progression of volume rates. Instead, they follow a reciprocal scale based on the numbers of poles of the electric motors.

The only way to realize rational results is through combination of various homothetic series, each of which may be composed of only a few terms. As a result of this procedure, the homothetic line losses the property of being a series derived from only one basic model. However, with this method it becomes possible to reach the fundamental objective of covering the proposed field of series application with a minimum number of models and with the most uniform, as well as economical, distribution. This planning technique requires special criteria which will be discussed in the following section.

Reticular Pump Series: The difficulties arising from the necessity of using the few fixed speeds of electric motors are at least partly resolved with the method of attack which shall be described. For clarity of understanding, it will perhaps be best if the problems related to particular cases are examined first and the solutions then extended to obtain general conclusions.

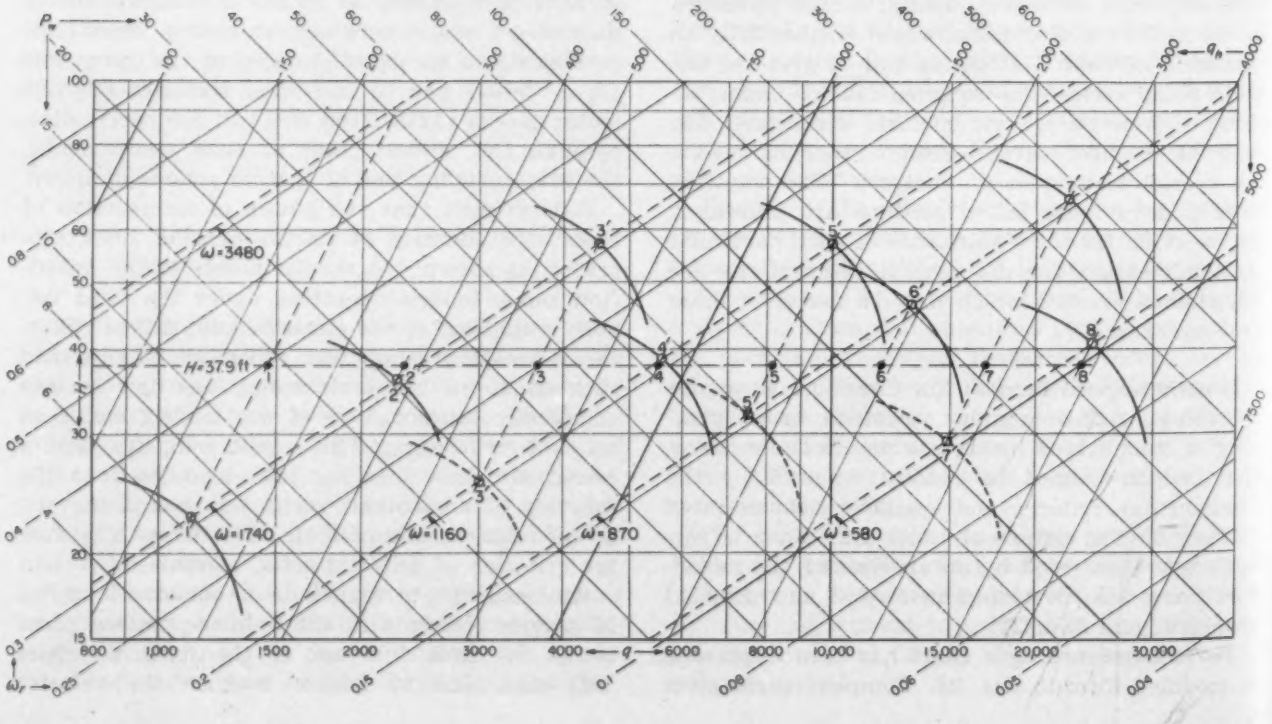
Assume a series of small and medium-size centrifugal pumps of the most common types, *Fig.* 29, is to be planned. These centrifugal pumps are to be directly coupled with electric motors operating at standard speeds of 3480 and 1740 rpm, thus giving a ratio between speeds of 2. Maximum head to be generated is assumed to be $H = 160$ ft; minimum pressure is a function of the lower of the two speeds. Minimum specific volume is $q_h = 4.7$.

Correction: In *Fig.* 15 of this series (September issue) P_w represents output power, hp, instead of input.

The limiting values given for maximum pressure and minimum specific volume determine the normal operating point of the smallest pump of the series. On the magnified section of a q-H logarithmic chart, *Fig.* 30, this point is designated as A_1 and has a corresponding normal volume rate of $q_1 = 60$ gpm. This pump which, like all the other units of the series, must operate at 3480 and 1740 rpm is actually represented on the chart by two points, A_1 and A_1', located on the line of constant specific volume, $q_h = 4.74$. The point A_1' will have an ordinate of $H_2 = 40$ ft, which is found by dividing the ordinate value corresponding to A_1 ($H_1 = 160$ ft) by the square of the velocity ratio, $H_2 = 160/2^2 = 40$ ft. Thus, it is apparent that homologous plots for all pumps of the group having a normal head of $H_1 = 160$ ft will fall along the constant ordinate line of $H_2 = 40$ ft.

On the chart of *Fig.* 30 let a straight line corresponding to $\omega_r = $ constant be drawn through A_1'

Fig. 28—Curve plots of homothetic series of mixed-flow pumps with normal points shifted for operation at standard electric-motor speeds. Modified points are designated by prime notation; normal points of basic pump models correspond to the mixed-flow pump series shown in *Fig.* 21 of *Part* 3



and extended to intercept the constant ordinate line, $H_1 = 160$ ft, at D_1 as shown. Before discussing the significance of this point further, it will perhaps be helpful to see if there is a relation, and in the affirmative case just what the nature of the relationship is, between the volume rates of the points A_1 and D_1.

It can be readily demonstrated by both analytical and graphical techniques that if ω_1 and ω_2 are the operating pump speeds for points A_1 and A_1', respectively (3480 and 1740 rpm in this case), the ratio between the volume rates for A_1 and D_1 is equal to the square of the reciprocal ratio between the two speeds, $(\omega_1/\omega_2)^2$. In effect, using the symbols defined in *Fig.* 30 and applying similarity laws to the pump A_1-A_1', the following expressions are found:

$$\frac{q_3}{q_1} = \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1} \quad \text{(63)}$$

$$\frac{H_2}{H_1} = \left(\frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}\right)^2 \quad \text{(64)}$$

For the case of similarity between homothetic and isotakic machines as represented by points A_1' and D_1, referring to Formulas 40 and 41 of *Part* 3,

$$\frac{q_2}{q_3} = \left(\frac{H_1}{H_2}\right)^{3/2} \quad \text{(65)}$$

From Equations 64 and 65,

$$\frac{q_2}{q_3} = \left(\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}\right)^3$$

and combining this equation with Equation 63 gives the result sought:

$$\frac{q_2}{q_1} = \frac{q_2}{q_3}\left(\frac{q_3}{q_1}\right) = \left(\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}\right)^3 \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1} = \left(\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}\right)^2 \quad \text{(66)}$$

Graphical proof of this relationship, based on the logarithmic q-H chart, is equally simple. It is only necessary to prove that the base A_1D_1 of the triangle $A_1D_1A_1'$ is equal in length to its altitude, $H_1 - H_2$. If this condition is fulfilled, Equation 66 is then a valid relationship since

$$\log q_2 - \log q_1 = \log H_1 - \log H_2$$

From this equation, converting to the corresponding antilog form and referring to Equation 64, Equation 66 can be directly derived.

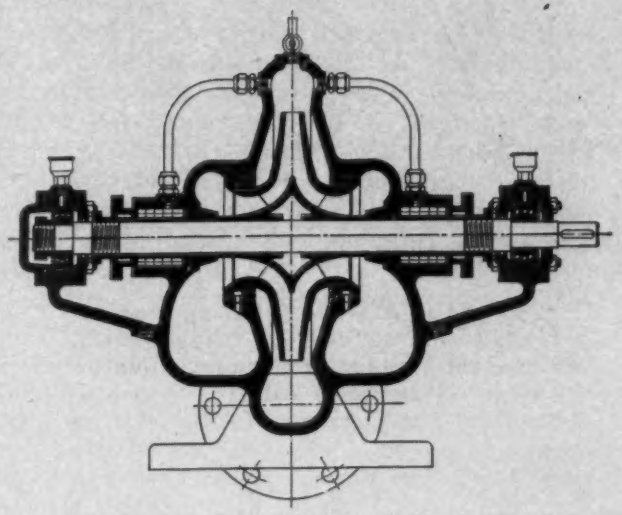
In *Fig.* 30, let Z be the point where a vertical line drawn through A_1' intercepts the horizontal ordinate line common to A_1 and D_1. From the chart construction, the relationships between line lengths are then:

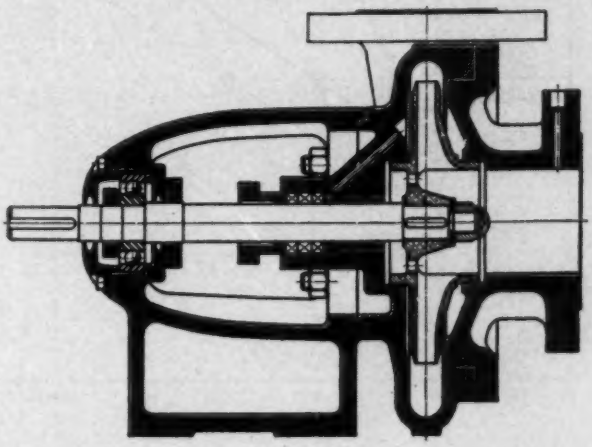
$$ZA_1 = \frac{ZA_1'}{2}$$

$$ZD_1 = \frac{3ZA_1'}{2}$$

and, finally,

$$A_1D_1 = ZD_1 - ZA_1 = ZA_1'$$





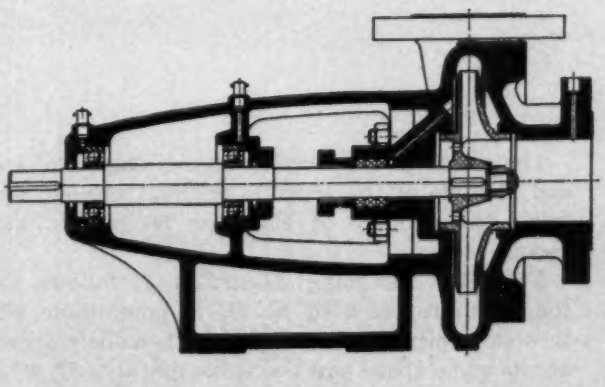


Fig. 29—Typical electric-motor driven centrifugal pump designs showing medium-size double-inlet unit and two small-size units for normal operation at high and low speed

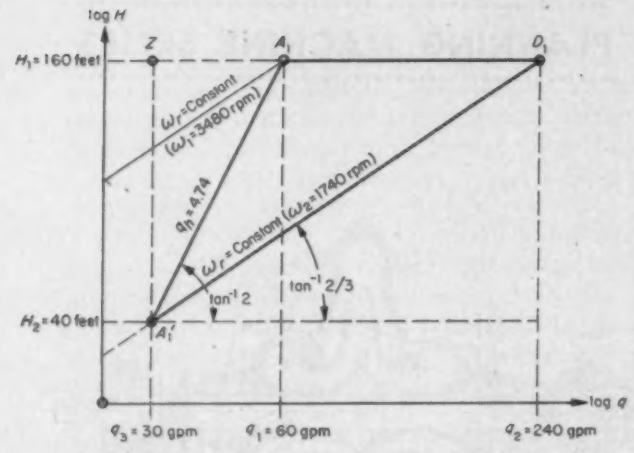


Fig. 30—Enlarged section of comprehensive *q-H* chart showing "H-ω_r-q_h" triangle which serves as the basis for development of reticular pump series

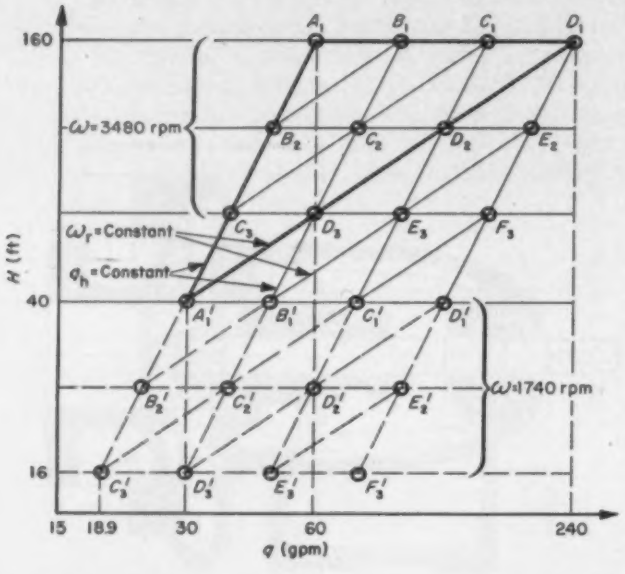


Fig. 31—Network arrangement of limited reticular pump series based on the "H-ω_r-q_h" triangle of *Fig.* 30

The condition of equality of the lengths of base and altitude of the triangle is thus fulfilled, verifying the validity of Equation 66 by graphical means.

From the foregoing discussion, it follows that the pump represented by D_1 is homothetic with the one represented by A_1' if both models operate at the same speed and the value of $(\omega_1/\omega_2)^2$, which in this case is 4, is the ratio between the volume rates corresponding to A_1 and D_1. However, as pointed out in the previous discussions of selection criteria for ratios of a series, the use of high ratio values, such as $r=4$, is not practical and should be avoided. For the case under analysis, this limitation means that a certain number of pump models will have to be determined by interpolation between A_1 and D_1. These interpolated models will operate under 3480 rpm with characteristics corresponding to the point plots along the line A_1D_1 and under 1740 rpm in accordance with homologous point plots on the constant ordinate line passing through A_1'.

If, for example, the segment A_1D_1 is divided into three equal parts by points B_1 and C_1 as shown in *Fig.* 31, the ratio between the volume rates of two adjacent or successive points is $\sqrt[3]{4} = 1.5874$. This value closely approaches the term ratio of the ASA standard 5-series of preferred numbers.

In *Fig.* 31 lines of ω_r = constant and q_h = constant have been drawn through the interpolated points, B_1 and C_1. For the families of parallel lines thus obtained, it can be readily shown that a network of parallelograms is produced in which each group of intercepts lies along a line of constant pressure. In addition, these points represent pump models which are homothetic with the corresponding models of points A_1, B_1, C_1 and D_1.

The lines of ω_r = constant, when extended to the segment $A_1'D_1'$, determine the homologous point plots for homothetic units according to the condition, q_h = constant. As a result, the groupings contained within the parallelogram $A_1D_1D_1'A_1'$ may be duplicated below the constant ordinate line $A_1'D_1'$, extending the network of parallelograms to the base line $C_3'F_3'$. This base line is located on the constant ordinate line, H = 16 ft, as shown in *Fig.* 31.

In this expanded network diagram, it will be noted that pumps comprising homothetic series have been identified by the same letter designation; equivalent numerical subscripts are carried by the models of equal specific volume in each group. Because of the characteristic network form of arrangement, this special group of machines is perhaps most aptly described as a "reticular" group or line.

As indicated previously, the horizontal distances between subsequent point plots in *Fig.* 31 represent the ratios of the progression of volume rates. In addition, the vertical distances between successive horizontal lines in the network grouping are a measure of the ratios between corresponding heads. From the network construction, based on similitude of triangles and the foregoing discussion, it can readily be shown that the volume rate ratio is equal to the pressure ratio.

A more detailed graphical analysis of the application range of several pump models has been developed in *Fig.* 32. The characteristic pump curves which pass through the normal points are limited in each case by the largest permissible volume rates corresponding to the minimum allowable efficiency value. These limiting points appear in *Fig.* 32 as points M and N.

In *Fig.* 32, it will be noted that a gap exists between the head values corresponding to the points N of the upper range of pumps and those corresponding to the points M of the lower range of pumps. The

zone of head values lying between the constant ordinate lines which pass through these points represents an undesirable discontinuity. To alleviate this condition, a certain number of impellers of reduced diameter may be planned, permitting the application range to be extended to smaller heads than those possible with the normal impellers.

The shape of the characteristic curve of a pump with an impeller of reduced diameter is similar to that obtained with an impeller of normal size. On the logarithmic *q-H* chart, *Fig.* 32, the effect of diameter reduction appears as a displacement of the normal characteristic curve, downward and in the left-hand direction at an angle of 45 degrees. In this displacement process, the curves corresponding to different impeller sizes remain parallel.

To extend the range of pump B_1 in *Fig.* 32, three impellers of reduced diameter have been planned. Characteristic curves for these impellers are defined by points B_{11}, B_{12} and B_{13}. For this extended range, it is evident that any constant ordinate line between the points *M* and *N* of the upper and lower pump groups, respectively, will now intersect at least one or more normal or reduced diameter characteristic curves. The gap previously mentioned has been eliminated and for any given head value there will always be a corresponding volume rate. Operating points, in each case, will always be within the limits imposed by the minimum allowable efficiency value.

Another method of employing impeller reduction to fill out application ranges is demonstrated in *Fig.* 33. In this case, the ratio of volume rates for pumps A_1 and B_1 was considered to be too great. To achieve a more gradual increase in volume rates, a model with an impeller of reduced width has been inserted between A_1 and B_1. In *Fig.* 33, this model appears as point R_1 which is located midway between A_1 and B_1. The ratio of volume rates achieved with the inserted model is thus equal to the square root of the ratio between pumps A_1 and B_1.

The discontinuity of head values between upper points *N* and lower points *M* has been filled in, *Fig.* 33, by means of two models with impellers of reduced diameter. One impeller, B_{12}, has been derived from pump B_1 and the other, R_{11}, has been derived from pump R_1 which already has an impeller of reduced width. This latter impeller, R_{11}, may be derived from pump B_1 by a simultaneous reduction in impeller width and diameter.

The three derived pump units with modified impellers will have characteristic curves similar to those of the basic models. On the logarithmic *q-H* chart, *Fig.* 33, the effects of the two methods of impeller modification appear as parallel displacements of the characteristic curve of the basic model, shifting in a horizontal direction for impeller width reduction and downward at an angle of 45 degrees for impeller diameter reduction. Thus, in *Fig.* 33, the previously empty pressure zone is now filled by an isobaric series of pumps derived through impeller reduction, alternately, of (1) the diameter alone, B_{12}, and (2) both the width and diameter, R_{11}.

If, for a first approach, it is assumed that there is an exact affinity between the different characteristic curves, it follows that the curve images on the logarithmic chart will be identical. Thus, the progression of volume rates determined by the intersection of a line of constant head with the characteristic curves of the derived isobaric pump series is also duplicated on any other intersecting, constant ordinate line.

In actual practice, the similarity between the shapes of the characteristic curves for basic and modified impellers is not exact. However, the small differences in the progression of volumes resulting from this lack of identical curve duplication are perfectly tolerable. As a result, the pump series just described is perhaps one of the most rational that can be developed.

In reference to the reticular arrangement in *Fig.* 31, it will be noted that the series depicted has been limited to a single group. The same

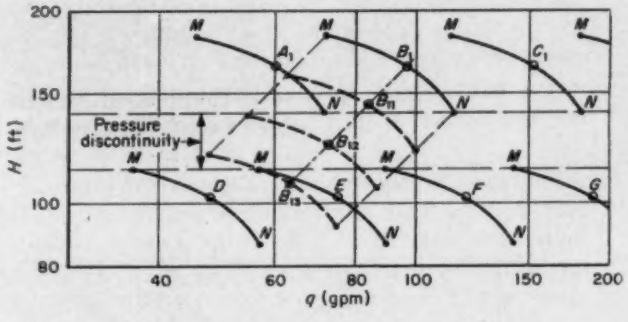


Fig. 32 — Graphical analysis of reticular pump series showing method of filling-in series discontinuities with impellers of reduced diameter

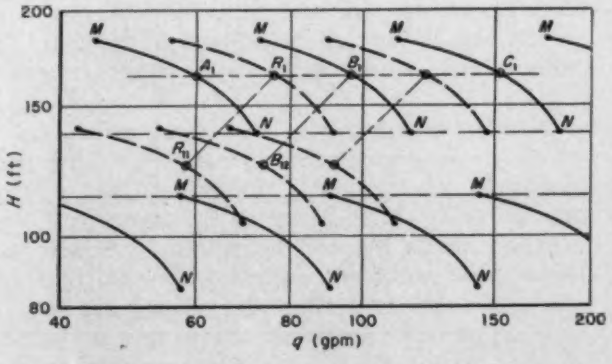


Fig. 33 — Graphical analysis of reticular pump series showing alternative method, as compared to *Fig.* 32, of filling-in series discontinuities with impellers of reduced diameter and width

Table 14—Basic Planning Date for Reticular Pump Series

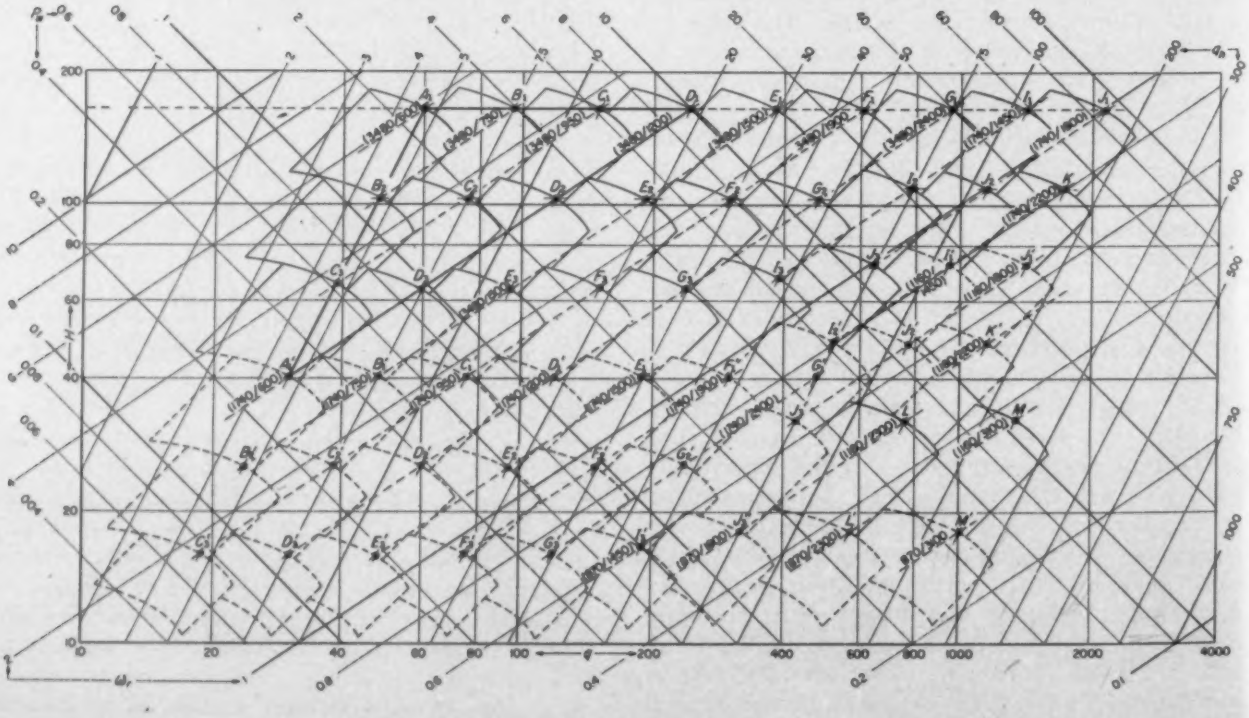
Motor Speed Ratio	2						1.5				1.333		
Motor Speeds, rpm	3480/1740; 1740/870; 1160/580						1740/1160				1160/870		
Volume Rate Ratio*	4						2.25				1.778		
Number of Terms	3	4	5	6	7	8	3	4	5	6	3	4	5
Progression Ratio	2.00	1.587	1.414	1.320	1.260	1.219	1.500	1.310	1.224	1.176	1.333	1.211	1.155
Series Term Values†:													
Term No. 1	1.00‡	1.00‡	1.00‡	1.00	1.00‡	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
2	2.00	1.60	1.40	1.32	1.25	1.22	1.50	1.31	1.22	1.18	1.33	1.21	1.16
3	4.00	2.50	2.00	1.75	1.60	1.49	2.25	1.72	1.50	1.38	1.78	1.47	1.34
4		4.00	2.80	2.31	2.00	1.81		2.25	1.83	1.62		1.78	1.55
5			4.00	3.05	2.50	2.20			2.25	1.91			1.78
6				4.00	3.15	2.68				2.25			
7					4.00	3.27							
8						4.00							

* Equal to ratio of heads. † Values of extreme and intermediate terms correspond to first term reference value of 1. ‡ These series closely approximate some of the standard preferred-number series; terms have been accordingly assigned standard rounded-off numerical values.

arrangement could be repeated in the right-hand direction and extended as far as the maximum value of specific speed for the particular pump type permits. In the case under discussion, for example, the specific speed of the pump D_1 when operated under a speed of $\omega = 3480$ rpm is $\omega_s = 1200$. If this group were identically repeated in the right-hand direction, a point would be eventually reached where the operating conditions are: $q = 1500$ gpm, $H = 160$ ft, $\omega = 3480$ rpm and $\omega_s = 3000$. This specific speed value is near the limiting value for pure centrifugal pumps.

On the basis of criteria previously discussed, it may be convenient to increase the number of subdivisions in the range of volume rates of this second group. The objective of this smaller break-

Fig. 34 — Comprehensive network arrangement for complete reticular line of centrifugal pumps. Plots are based on data in *Table* 15



down is to reduce the ratio between subsequent volume rates. If a comparison is made of the original and repeated pump network groups, it will be found that the power input in the first case will be approximately in the range of 3 to 10 hp, while in the second group inputs up to 60 hp are reached. Since it is desirable, as a basis for the design of the pump network, to have smaller efficiency losses with increased power ratings, it will be necessary that the ratio of volume rates diminishes as the region of larger volume rates is approached.

As previously pointed out, the vertical distance between successive horizontal lines in the pump network, *Fig.* 31, is equal to the length of the horizontal line segment which represents the ratio between subsequent volume rates. Since the use of impeller reduction, in lieu of new models, to fill gaps in pump series cannot be practiced without some loss in efficiency, it is advisable to decrease this vertical interval when approaching the region of larger volume rates. The need for this procedure is influenced by the fact that as the volume rate becomes larger the economical importance of each pump unit increases. In addition, if the range of volume rates is subdivided, as discussed previously, to reduce the volume rate ratios, the vertical interval must automatically diminish to maintain the required equality between horizontal line segments and vertical distances in the network arrangement.

For the series planning example which served as the basis for this pump network development, a ratio of 2 between operating speeds of models within the same group was established and the ratio between extreme volume rates was given as 4, *Fig.* 30. The ratio between volume rates has, in turn, been subdivided into three parts by inserting two intermediate models, *Fig.* 31. As a result of this subdivision, the ratio between subsequent volume rates was reduced to a value of 1.58.

This example, however, is only illustrative and should not be taken as the general case. In actual practice, a variety of different conditions may occur with regard to the ratio between fixed speeds of electric motors as well as to the ease of establishing subdivisions of the volume rate range according to a certain pattern. For instance, if the pumps in the left-hand chart region of the group were smaller than those of the present example, it might be advisable to divide the range of volume rates into two regions rather than three. Only one intermediate model would have to be determined by interpolation, giving a ratio between volume rates of 2.

A useful reference for the analysis of permissible volume rate ratios is *Table* 10 of *Part* 3. This table indicates that a ratio of 2 is suitable for small centrifugal pumps while for the intermediate pump sizes it is evident that a value near 1.54 is more advisable.

For purposes of rapid calculation, pertinent data related to the different series planning problems encountered in practice have been collected in *Table* 14. Included in this table are the relationships for different electric motor speed combinations as well as series planning data for varying numbers of interpolated models on the upper side of the basic triangular grouping which is shown in the magnified view in *Fig.* 30.

In the development of reticular pump lines, as demonstrated in the preceding discussion, the intention has been one of attaining, simultaneously and harmoniously, homologous speed groupings, homothetic relationships between similar pumps, constant pressure operating conditions and reduction of the volume rate ratio with increasing size and power and, hence, economic importance. The fundamental rationality of the resulting line is indicated, both directly and intuitively, by the uniform distribution of the network arrangement on the logarithmic *q-H* chart.

Table 15—Development of Combined Reticular Pump Series*

Specific Speed, ω_s	Motor Speed, ω (rpm)	Point Plots (*Fig.* 34)					
600	3480	A_1					
600	1740	A_1'					
750	3480	B_1	B_2				
750	1740	B_1'	B_2'				
950	3480	C_1	C_2	C_3			
950	1740	C_1'	C_2'	C_3'			
1200	3480	D_1	D_2	D_3			
1200	1740	D_1'	D_2'	D_3'			
1450-1500	3480	E_1	E_2	E_3			
1450-1500	1740	E_1'	E_2'	E_3'	I_1	I_2	I_3
1450-1500	1160				I_1'	I_2'	
1450-1500	870						I_3'
1800-1900	3480	F_1	F_2	F_3			
1800-1900	1740	F_1'	F_2'	F_3'	J_1	J_2	J_3
1800-1900	1160				J_1'	J_2'	J_3'
1800-1900	870						J_3''
2200-2400	3480	G_1	G_2	G_3			
2200-2400	1740	G_1'	G_2'	G_3'	K		
2200-2400	1160				K'	L	
2200-2400	870					L'	
3100	1160	M					
3100	870	M'					

*Summary of quantities: Number of different specific speeds (homothetic lines), 8; number of models to be developed, 27; number of operating points derived from reduced speed operation of basic models, 28; total number of operating points, 55.

Combined Reticular Pump Lines: An example of how several reticular pump series may be combined to provide uniform coverage of an extensive application field is furnished by *Fig.* 34. In this comprehensive network, the following groups may readily be recognized:

1. A reticular group with base A_1 D_1. In this group the ratio between electric motor operating speeds is 2 and, accordingly, the ratio of volume rates is 4. The volume rate range has been subdivided into three equal regions by inserting two intermediate models B_1 and C_1. In terms of fundamental models, this reticular group encompasses the field defined by the parallelogram $A_1D_1F_3C_3$. However, if the derived models operating at minimum speed are included, this field is extended to the line $C_3'F_3'$.

2. A reticular group obtained by repeating the network of group 1 in the right-hand direction. This group reaches to the constant q_h line which joins F_1 and I_3'.

3. A reticular group with base G_1J_1. In this group the ratio between electric motor operating speeds is 1.5 and, thus, the ratio between volume rates is 2.25. The volume rate range has been subdivided into two equal parts by inserting an intermediate model I_1. For this group, homologous models operating at low speed extend the network to the isobaric line $I_2'J_2'$.

4. A simple reticular group with base LM. Models L and M operate at 1160 rpm and their homologous counterparts, L' and M', at 870 rpm.

The elements making up this combined network are summarized in *Table* 15 which notes the number of groups of pumps with the same characteristics, the different pump models to be designed and the total number of points making up the field network.

It should be remembered that homologous point plots corresponding to models operating at reduced speed do not always represent pumps having a construction identical to those of the basic models. As a result of the lower velocity and power input characteristics of these units, design of the mechanical construction may be influenced by a number of considerations which offer reduced cost. Factors to be considered include number and type of bearings, shaft diameters, impeller guides, etc.

Reciprocating Machines: In the case of engines, fluid motors and operators (pumps and compressors) or other similar types of machines which employ single or multiple reciprocating pistons for power conversion, rational series planning requires a method of attack somewhat different from those previously discussed.

Appropriate geometrical modules for these machines include the total displacement of the cylinders or, for homothetic series, the cylinder diameter. The operational module will vary for each specific machine type and will be represented by different properties such as power output for engines, inlet flow rate for compressors and pumps, etc.

When the dynamic operating conditions of the particular machine type have been clearly established, the operational module takes on a proportional relationship with the total piston displacement. Series analysis may thus be based initially on either the operational modules or the piston displacements and later extended to include the geometrical properties of diameter and stroke. However, for this method of planning the fundamental kinematic conditions of operation must be pre-established. It must be known whether the series will be (1) of the isotakic type with crankshaft rotational speed remaining constant or (2) isodromic with a constant mean piston speed, or, (3) one in which both rotational and piston speeds vary according to a definite law.

For this analysis, symbols are defined as follows:

c = Number of cylinders
D = Cylinder diameter, inches
e = Number of piston actions
l = Piston stroke, inches
N = Crankshaft rotational speed, rpm
Q = Actual flow rate, gpm
Q_g = Geometrical flow rate or total cylinder displacement, gpm
$R = l/D$ = Stroke-diameter ratio
U = Mean piston speed, fpm
V_p = Piston displacement (unit), cubic inches
η_v = Volumetric efficiency

For a single-cylinder, single-acting machine:

$$Q = \eta_v Q_g = \eta_v \frac{V_p N}{231} = 0.0034\ \eta_v D^2 l N \quad \ldots\ldots (67)$$

and, since $N = 6U/l$,

$$Q = 0.0204\ \eta_v D^2 U \quad \ldots\ldots (68)$$

For the general case of any number of cylinders and single or double-acting pistons ($e = 1$ or 2, respectively), from Equation 67,

$$N = \frac{Q}{0.0034\ c\ e\ \eta_v D^2 l} \quad \ldots\ldots (69)$$

Also, from Equation 68,

$$Q = 0.0204\ c\ e\ \eta_v D^2 U \quad \ldots\ldots (70)$$

and solving for D,

$$D = \sqrt{\frac{Q}{0.0204\ c\ e\ \eta_v U}} \quad \ldots\ldots (71)$$

In the usual type of series arrangement, where the numbers of cylinders and piston actions are constant, the conditions offering the most logical basis for planning are the homology of analogous geometrical dimensions and the uniformity of piston speeds (c, e, R, and U are constant). Under these conditions, from Equations 70 and 71, $Q = KD^2$ or $D = \sqrt{Q/K}$ where $K = 0.0204\ c\ e\ \eta_v U$.

In the progression of flow rates, let Q_1 be the first term, r_{Q1} be the first term ratio and ρ_Q be the second order ratio. Then, based on the properties of second order progressions, corresponding quantities for the progression of diameters are

$D_1 = \sqrt{Q_1/K}$, $r_{D1} = \sqrt{r_{Q1}}$ and $\rho_D = \sqrt{\rho_Q}$.

Assume, for example that a series of triplex single-acting pumps with the following characteristics is to be planned: Stroke-diameter ratio, $R = 1.5$; minimum and maximum flow rates, 10 and 100 gpm; constant piston speed, $U = 70$ fpm; and volumetric efficiency, $\eta_v = 0.70$. Also, for a first approach, it will be assumed that the volumetric efficiency is the same for all models. The coefficient K is, in this case: $K = 0.0204\ (3)(1)\ (0.70)(70) = 3$.

From *Table* 5 of *Part* 2, planned progression 10-5-B will be taken as the one that best meets the series requirements. This planned progression has 5 terms, first term ratio of 2.239, a last term ratio of 1.413 and a second-order ratio of 0.858. For the progression of diameters, $D_1 = \sqrt{10/3} = 1.83$ inches, $r_{D1} = \sqrt{2.239} = 1.496$, $r_{D4} = \sqrt{1.413} = 1.189$ and $\rho_D = \sqrt{0.858} = 0.926$.

From these data and the formulas given in *Part* 2 for development of second-order progressions, the three series of volumes, diameters and strokes can be determined as shown by the light-face values in *Table* 16. The series of strokes can be calculated directly from the relationship, $l = R\ D$, using the given value of $R = 1.5$ which has been taken as the characteristic homology factor of the series.

The initial values of diameters and strokes which have been calculated to the nearest 1/100 of an inch, must be rounded off to convenient or standard dimensions. Crankshaft speeds, N, which vary uniformly along the series because of the constant value of U, may then be calculated from Equation 69, using these final, and actual, values of diameters and strokes.

Corrected values of volumetric efficiency may be taken into account in the final calculation. The value of η_v, instead of remaining constant as was initially assumed, will actually vary along the series, increasing gradually from the small to the large models. Results of the final calculation for this example are bold-face in *Table* 16.

In rounding off diameter and stroke dimensions, standard sizes should be adopted, if possible. However, if this practice threatens the rationality of the series of operational modules, it would probably be more convenient to specify a nonstandard size which is closer to the calculated dimension. Elimination of one or two special gages, for example, may be poor compensation for the irrationality resulting from too large a difference between theoretical and rounded-off values.

Because of the small number of terms, the second-order progression in this example can not be replaced by series of preferred numbers. Such a procedure would eliminate the fundamental characteristic of the series—the progressive decrease in the values of the term ratios.

In the field of internal combustion engines, as well as other areas, series of multicylinder machines must often be developed in which the individual models have varying numbers of equal-size cylinders. Since output is exactly proportional to total displacement, the series of geometrical modules (displacements), as well as the series of operational modules (outputs), must be based on arithmetic progressions. For these progressions, successive term values will differ by a constant amount equal to either the power output or displacement of a single cylinder, depending on the series. In this case, the type of progression to be chosen is readily apparent. It is only necessary to remember the important properties of these progressions. Particularly, in the 1 to 12 cylinder range, which is the most used, the ratio between successive terms diminishes from an initial value of 2 to 1.0909, (*Table* 7, *Part* 2). If the first engine of the series has 2 or 3 cylinders, instead of 1, the initial term ratio drops to 1.5 for the two-cylinder design or 1.333 for the three-cylinder type, thus approaching more closely the usual values which are employed.

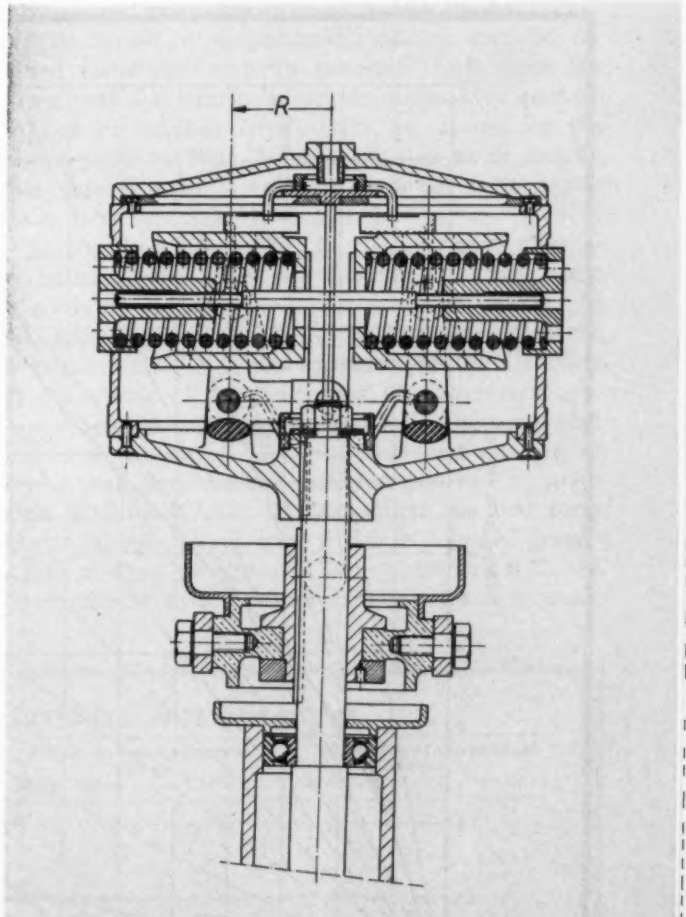


Fig. 35—Cross-section of typical centrifugal governor design which is used on hydraulic and thermal engines

Table 16—Calculated Data for Triplex Pump Series*

Term No.	Volume Rate, Q (gpm)	Volume Rate Ratio	Cylinder Diameter, D (in.)		Piston Stroke, l (in.)		Volumetric Efficiency, η_v (per cent)		Crankshaft Speed, N (rpm)
1	10	...	1.83	1⅞	2.74	2¾	70	65	156
2	22.4	2.24	2.73	2¾	4.10	4⅛	70	67.5	105
3	43	1.92	3.78	3¾	5.67	5 11/16	70	70	75
4	70.8	1.65	4.86	4⅞	7.29	7¼	70	72.5	56
5	100	1.41	5.77	5¾	8.66	8 11/16	70	75	46

*Initial calculations are designated by light-face type; final calculations by bold face type.

Centrifugal Speed Governors: Among the many types of speed controllers for hydraulic and thermal engines, the design shown in *Fig.* 35 is typical of one that is still commonly adopted (at least in Europe) where high quality control is not needed.

The dynamic component of the regulating action of these speed governors is the centrifugal force of the revolving weights. This force is transmitted by levers to the sliding sleeve where it becomes an axial force, which varies in magnitude at different positions of the sleeve stroke. Its value at the middle point of stroke is called, by the improper but nevertheless commonly used term, "mean energy of the governor."

In the following discussion, a well-established line of such controllers, in common use for about 30 years, will be analyzed. This series constitutes an interesting early approach to rational series planning.

The linkage design of these governors is such

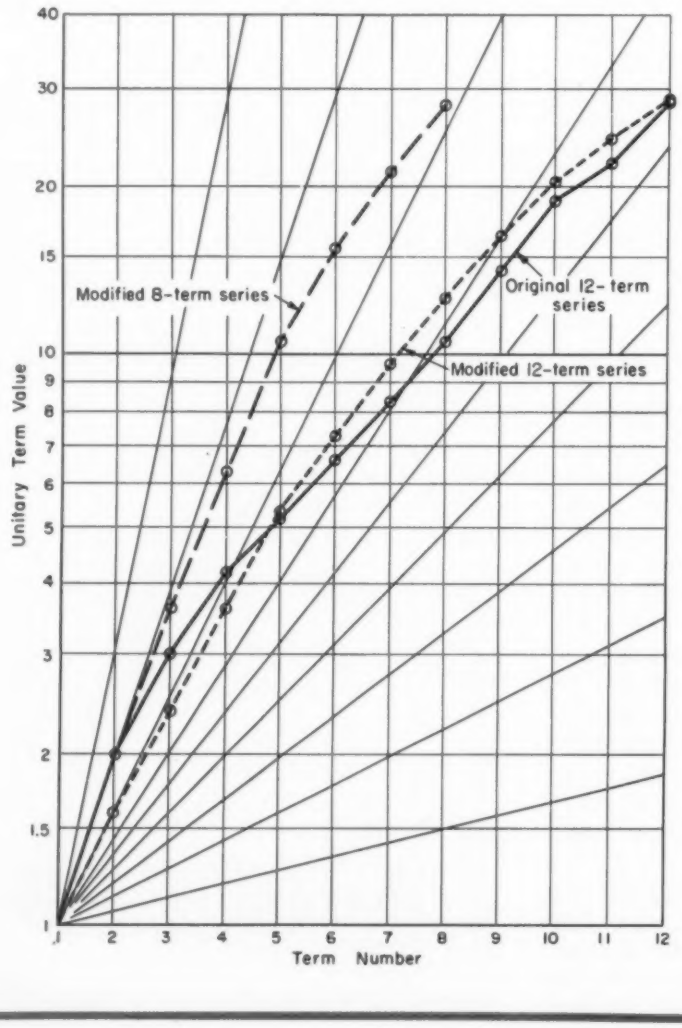


Fig. 36 — Graphical analysis of line of centrifugal governors showing curve plots of original 12-term series of operational modules and two improved series groupings, of 12 and 8 terms, derived from second-order progressions

that the centrifugal forces of the rotating masses are transmitted without mechanical advantage, at a "transmission" ratio of 1/1, to the sliding sleeve.

Symbols are as follows:

E = Mean energy of governor, as defined previously, pounds
g = Acceleration of gravity (32.16 ft per second per second)
N = Angular speed, rpm
R = Radius of rotation of the center of gravity of the revolving weights in the half-stroke position, inches
U = Lineal speed of the center of gravity of the masses, fps
W = Weight of each rotating mass, pounds
ω = Angular speed, radians per second

The fundamental relationships for this governor design are:

$$E = 2\frac{W}{g}\omega^2 R$$

$$E = 2\frac{W}{g}\frac{U^2}{R}$$

Inserting appropriate units gives,

$$E = \frac{WN^2R}{17{,}600} \quad \ldots\ldots (72)$$

$$E = \frac{WU^2}{1.34\,R} \quad \ldots\ldots (73)$$

A series of centrifugal governors could be readily developed on the basis of several different criteria, as in the case of pumps. However, the most interesting grouping is one, analogous to the homothetic-isodromic centrifugal pump series (*Part* 3), based on geometrical similarity of homologous linear dimensions and constant linear velocity of the center of gravity of the rotating masses.

As geometrical module of these units, any one of the principal linear dimensions may be adopted, for example, the radius R. The operational module will be the energy quantity, E. Based on the geometrical similarity of the rotating masses,

$$W = kR^3 \quad \ldots\ldots (74)$$

where k is the homology factor which represents the characteristic index of the series. From Equations 73 and 74, then

$$E = \frac{kR^2U^2}{1.34} \quad \ldots\ldots (75)$$

For the special case of isodromic series where U is constant, Equation 75 takes the general form: $E = kR^2$. This relationship between the geometrical module R and the operational module E is another expression of the fundamental relationship given by Equation 1, *Part* 1.

As previously mentioned, an existing series of the type of governor under discussion offers an interesting case for examination. This series was developed on the basis of the foregoing criteria and obeys them with close approximation except for certain minor deviations as indicated in *Table* 17 where the fundamental data of the series have been collected. The last four columns on the right-hand side of the table give the series of operational and geometrical modules, reduced to their unitary values, and the corresponding series ratios.

The series of operational modules may be defined as being "roughly rational." Although the term ratios diminish along the series, the pattern is one of marked irregularity, as shown by the curve plots in *Figs.* 36 and 37*a*. In these charts, the unitary energy values and series term ratios have been graphically depicted.

In the first chart, *Fig.* 36, the abnormal characteristics of the series are indicated by the irregularity of the slopes of subsequent segments. In the second plot, *Fig.* 37*a*, these irregularities are even more strikingly demonstrated by the disorderly variations of the ordinates (series ratios).

A rational series, equivalent to the one just examined in range of application and number of terms, can be obtained with the planned progression, 32-13-B (*Table* 5, *Part* 2) if the last term is eliminated. This series, which is depicted graphically in *Figs.* 36 and 37*b*, is not afflicted with the irregularities of the first arrangement and is clear-

Table 17—Commercial Series of Centrifugal Speed Governors

Model No.	Mean Energy, E (lb)	Angular Speed, N (rpm)	Radius of Rotation, R (in.)	Linear Velocity, U (fps)	Progression of Operational Modules		Progression of Geometrical Modules	
					Term Value	Ratio	Term Value	Ratio
1	132	800	1.575	10.98	1	....	1	....
2	265	700	2.047	12.49	2	2	1.3	1.3
3	397	550	2.558	12.29	3	1.5	1.625	1.25
4	551	500	2.913	12.78	4.17	1.39	1.85	1.14
5	707	450	3.305	12.78	5.12	1.225	2.1	1.135
6	882	380	3.660	12.78	6.67	1.3	2.325	1.10
7	1103	350	4.134	12.78	8.33	1.25	2.625	1.13
8	1412	310	4.726	12.78	10.67	1.28	3.00	1.14
9	1930	280	5.354	13.11	14.58	1.36	3.40	1.13
10	2514	250	6.102	13.31	19.00	1.30	3.875	1.14
11	2912	220	6.694	12.85	22.00	1.16	4.25	1.10
12	3750	200	7.480	13.11	28.33	1.29	4.75	1.12

ly an improvement. At the same time, however, this series must not be considered as the most convenient simply because of its equivalent applicability and improved characteristics.

In evaluating the applicability and rationality of two equivalent series, judgment must be based primarily on the value of the ratios themselves, rather than on the number of terms and the regularity of ratio variations. Consider, for example, the first series examined. If, in the series of operational modules, a first ratio of 2 and a last ratio of 1.3 are considered as being commercially feasible, and if the adoption of these limit ratios leads to a smaller number of terms than in the original series, the new line with a smaller number of models will be better economically, and thus more rational.

Calculation of the reduced series can be readily accomplished, using the equations given in *Part* 2, from the following given data: First term, 1; last term, 28.3; first ratio, 2; and last ratio, 1.3. The calculated series has only 8 terms, instead of 12 as in the original series. This series is also shown graphically in *Figs.* 36 and 37*c;* calculated values are given in *Table* 18.

The foregoing example suggests some considerations, commercial in nature, which may be extended to other similar cases. Consider, for comparison, two typical cases: (1) A company manufacturing governors for both internal use and sales and (2) an engine manufacturer producing speed governors only for use on its engine units. In the first case,

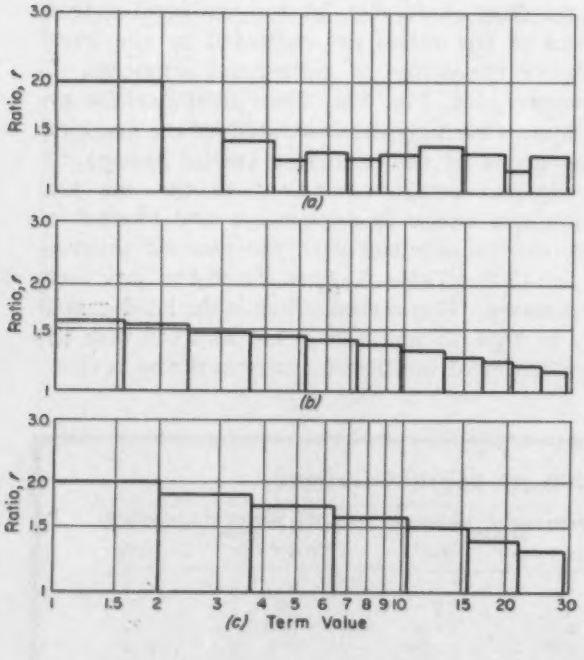


Fig. 37—Graphical analysis of line of centrifugal governors, corresponding to that of *Fig.* 36, showing plots of ratios of series of operational modules for: *a*, original 12-term series; *b*, modified 12-term series based on one of the planned progressions; and *c*, modified 8-term series based on a second-order progression

Table 18—Modified Governor Series

Model No.	Mean Energy, *E* (lb)	Progression of Operational Modules	
		Term Value	Ratio
1	132	1	....
2	265	2	2
3	492	3.72	1.861
4	854	6.45	1.734
5	1376	10.40	1.612
6	2065	15.61	1.501
7	2887	21.80	1.397
8	3750	28.33	1.3

many customer requests must be answered. There is the possibility of distributing fixed charges over a vast production operation, with the attendant advantages of organization on a mass production basis. Such conditions simultaneously require and permit the adoption of series with larger numbers of models than is convenient in the second case. For this reason, any series based on the number of terms (12) in the original series examined will, from the standpoint of rationality of progression, be convenient only for the specialized manufacturer of the first type. The engine manufacturer will have to adopt the 8-term series or another even more limited.

Indirect Turbine Regulators: An example of a case where ordinary geometrical progressions are preferred over those of the second order for series planning is furnished by certain servomotor-tachometric controllers of the type used on hydraulic turbines. In this discussion, attention will be confined to one of the simplest and most common types in use, *Fig.* 38.

The capacity of these regulators is equal to the work performed, or expressed in equation form,

$$E_r = \frac{V_p\, p}{12} = \frac{\pi\, D^2\, lp}{48} = 0.0655\, D^2\, lp \quad \ldots\ldots\ldots (76)$$

where E_r = work performed by the regulator, ft-lb; V_p = piston displacement, cubic inches; p = normal oil pressure, psi; D = cylinder diameter, inches; and l = piston stroke, inches.

For these units, the selection of geometrical and operational modules is readily apparent. The former is given by the piston displacement, V_p, and the latter by the work quantity, E_r. If oil pressure is constant, an exact proportional relationship exists between the two modules.

In determining an appropriate series arrangement, apparently only those considerations relating to general organization and commercial requirements can prevail. Nevertheless, there is a characteristic, peculiar to this particular case, which can and must serve as a guide.

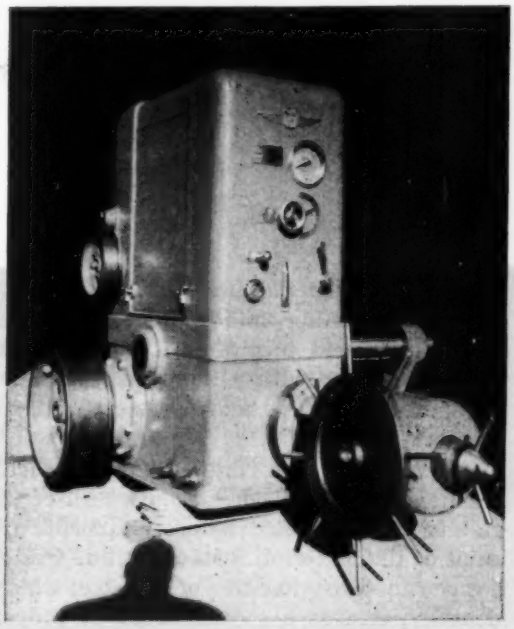
On the basis of total cost of a hydraulic turbine generating set, the controller unit takes on a proportional importance that increases rapidly as the capacity of the set decreases. Thus, for turbine sets of small capacity, it is convenient to select a controller with a work capacity which does not greatly exceed the required amount. If the intervals in the initial portion of the governor series are too large, selection of a unit that is too expensive may be forced

by application requirements. To avoid this undesirable condition, a series must be determined in which the tendency toward high initial ratios is compensated. This compensation may be readily obtained through the use of an ordinary geometrical progression which might well be one of the standard preferred number series.

For the term ratios, which now become constant along the entire series, the following criteria must be adopted. Servomotor controllers are reciprocating machines in which the geometrical module is given by the cylinder diameter, at least in the usual case where there is a proportional stroke-to-diameter relationship. Thus, D is proportional to $\sqrt[3]{E_r}$, and the ratio of the progression of diameters is equal to the cube root of the ratio of the progression of regulator work capacities. If the ASA 5-series of preferred numbers, which has a ratio of 1.58 (*Table* 3, *Part* 2), is adopted for the series of operational modules, the corresponding geometrical module series will then have a ratio of $\sqrt[3]{1.58} = 1.16$. This ratio falls within the range of maximum convenience which was established in *Part* 1.

Assume a series of controllers is to be developed in which the range of work capacities is 500 to 10,000 ft-lb. Adopting the 5-series of preferred numbers and using limiting term values of 630 and 10,000 gives the following 7-term progression: 630, 1000, 1600, 2500, 4000, 6300, 10,000. From this series of controller work capacities, the series of displacements may be directly determined by means of Equation 76. The series of diameters and strokes may then be calculated from the equations developed in the preceding section for single-cylinder, single-acting reciprocal machines. In these calculations, the constant stroke-diameter ratio must be pre-established as a basis of the fundamental model design.

Final Remarks: The foregoing discussion clearly shows how a careful and critical analysis must constantly rule any study of machine series. Throughout this series of articles, it has been demonstrated that in the great majority of cases second-order progressions must be the mathematical guide to rational series planning. Despite this emphasis, the classical Renard's, or preferred-number series certainly has valid applications in some series planning problems, as demonstrated by the final example.



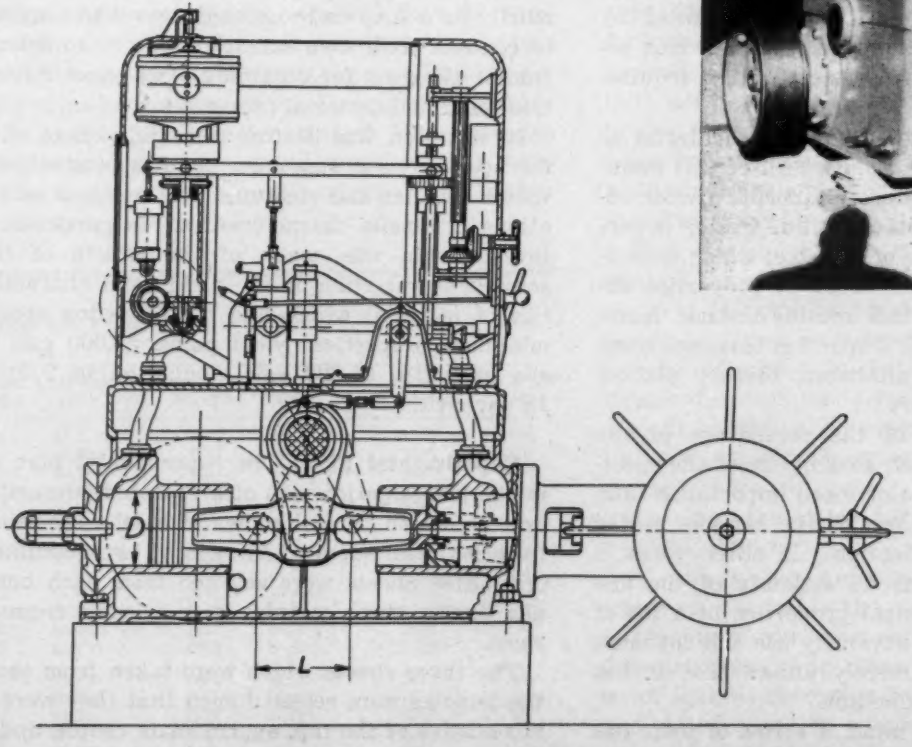


Fig. 38—Typical servomotor controller design for use on hydraulic turbines. Photo, courtesy P. Merlini & Hijos, Buenos Aires

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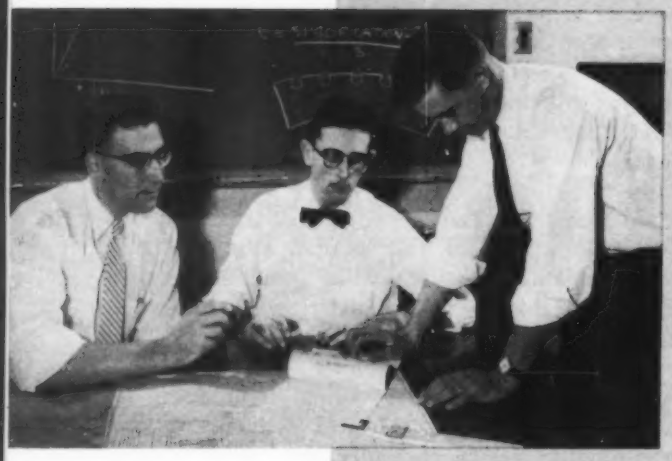

HIGH-STRENGTH

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THROUGHOUT industry the trend is to produce smaller and more efficient machines. This trend has often been accompanied by the use of steel with a high yield point, which allows the use of less mass to meet design requirements.

At Westinghouse, high yield-point material is used extensively in new designs. All of this material is mill inspected before shipment. After receipt of the material, further routine testing is performed to verify identity of the steel which, coincidentally, affords a second check of properties observed at the mill. In this routine testing, material that has passed mill inspection may not come up to the specification minimum, thereby placing it in a rejectable category.

However, knowledge of the percentage of the material in each lot which does not meet the specification minimum can be of more importance than merely knowing that a few of the samples tested did not meet this specification. In other words, a design engineer who has an estimate of the distribution of the mechanical properties of a lot of high-strength steel can obviously use this lot more effectively than if he merely knows that it has passed a minimum specification.

With this thought in mind, a series of tests has been made to estimate the distribution of mechanical properties in typical lots of steel; in particular, to investigate the sources of variation of yield-point characteristics of steel. Results of these tests, and methods used, are summarized here primarily as a help to those engineers who may wish to conduct their own investigations or to set up a similar program for obtaining more exact information on actual material properties.

Information was desired regarding effect of differences between suppliers, bundles of steel, sheet within bundles and positions within sheets on variations in tensile characteristics. In particular, an investigation was made of the effects of these sources of variation on the yield point characteristics of material which had the following specified minimum properties: yield point, 55,000 psi; tensile strength, 65,000 psi; elongation in 2 inches, 18 per cent.

Experimental Plan: The experimental plan used in the investigation was of a repeated subsampling type in which three bundles of steel were selected from material supplied by each of two manufacturers; three sheets were selected from each bundle; and finally, three samples were selected from each sheet.

The three sheets which were taken from each of the bundles were selected such that they were representative of the top, approximate center, and bottom sheets in the bundle. This arrangement, in effect, gave a sample from the front, middle, and back end of a coil.

STEEL

A simple method for statistical determination of actual yield-point variation

Statistical Analysis: For the purpose of this discussion, only the yield point characteristics of the samples will be considered. *Table* 1 lists the sample designation and the corresponding yield point data. The sample designation or code number actually gives an account of the experimental history of the sample, e.g., the designation 1311 indicates that this specimen came from supplier No. 1, bundle No. 3, sheet No. 1, and position No. 1 within the sheet.

Table 1—Yield Points of Experimental Samples

Sample Number	Yield Point (psi)	Sample Number	Yield Point (psi)	Sample Number	Yield Point (psi)
2331	46,850	2213	47,500	1323	61,850
2223	49,300	1333	63,300	2312	57,150
1121	66,900	1111	63,350	2233	56,200
2221	50,150	1331	68,750	2121	56,100
2113	59,950	1112	67,150	1211	55,700
1313	72,350	2321	59,350	1132	62,900
2222	49,200	1223	61,500	2313	56,600
1312	69,400	2212	47,250	1212	70,950
2111	59,600	2133	56,600	1322	62,550
2112	60,200	1222	62,650	2311	55,950
2333	46,050	1221	61,300	1131	65,650
1232	67,700	2132	55,600	1133	68,600
1233	68,150	1332	69,900	1321	65,150
1122	70,650	2131	54,550	1213	65,250
1231	65,300	2322	61,700	2232	57,850
1123	59,850	1113	61,650	2122	55,650
2332	45,650	2323	59,050	2231	58,350
1311	83,250	2211	54,500	2123	53,550

These test results were analyzed by using the analysis of variance technique. By means of this type of analysis, the effects of the experimental factors can be measured with respect to unexplained or residual variation. Computational details will not be presented here but may be found in the *References*, which discuss experimental designs and the analysis of variance. Results of the analysis are summarized in the analysis of variance found in *Table* 2.

This statistical examination indicated the presence of a highly significant difference between the mean yield point values of the material from different suppliers, as indicated by the significant difference (F-ratio) in *Table* 2. The test for this significance was made against the also highly significant variation between sheets within bundles. The test against sheets within bundles was made in preference to testing against bundles within heats since the latter variation was not found to be significant.

At this point, perhaps, several other factors whose effects fall in the category of "unexplained" or "residual" variation should be noted. Actually, the variation due to these effects is included in the mean squares corresponding to the source of variation called "position within sheets" in the analysis of variance, *Table* 2. These factors are:

1. **Chemical Composition:** Generally speaking, each steel company marketing a high-strength steel

has its own formula for reaching the desired yield point level. These differences are inextricably mixed with differences between suppliers in the preceding analysis. There are, as well, differences in composition between samples from the same heat whose contribution to the variation is contained in the unexplained variation. No attempt was made in this analysis to determine the relationship between chemical composition and yield point.

2. **Rolling Practice:** Chemical composition is not the sole criterion of yield point. It acts in combination with possibly several other factors, one of which is the mill's rolling practice. Quite often, when desired strength levels are not reached, the steel will be strain-hardened by additional cold rolling on a temper mill. Another factor which may also affect the strength level of the steel is the coiling temperature on the hot strip mill. These factors, in general, may inflate the variation either between or within material from different suppliers.

Table 2—Analysis of Yield-Point Variance

Source of Variation	Degrees of Freedom	Sums of Squares	Mean Squares	F Ratio
Between suppliers	1	1,911,140,000	1,911,140,000	30.4*
Bundles within suppliers	4	158,268,000	39,567,000	....
Sheets within bundles	12	755,242,200	62,936,900	7.45*
Positions within sheets	36	304,061,700	8,446,200	....

*Probability of so large an F-ratio occurring by chance alone is less than 0.001.

Nomenclature

μ = mean of the probability distribution of a universe
σ = standard deviation of the probability distribution of a universe
σ^2 = variance of the probability distribution of a universe
s = sample estimate of σ
s^2 = sample estimate of σ^2
t = deviation of a random variable from its mean divided by an estimate of the standard deviation; generally called the "t-statistic".
x_m = mean of the sample (x_1, x_2, . . . , x_n) and estimate of μ

Estimating Yield-Point Distribution: History of the yield-point characteristic has indicated that, considered as a random variable, its distribution is approximated by the normal distribution. Hence, in order to estimate the distribution of yield points in a lot, it is sufficient to determine the lot's mean and standard deviation. From the preceding analy-

Table 3—Per Cent of Values Above (Below) Specification

	4		6		8		10		13		16		20	
t	I*	II†	I	II	I	II	I	II	I	II	I	II	I	II
0.1	53.7	46.3	53.8	46.2	53.8	46.2	53.9	46.1	53.9	46.1	53.9	46.1	53.9	46.1
0.2	57.2	42.8	57.5	42.5	57.6	42.4	57.7	42.3	57.8	42.2	57.8	42.2	57.8	42.2
0.3	60.8	39.2	61.2	38.8	61.4	38.6	61.4	38.6	61.5	38.5	61.6	38.4	61.6	38.4
0.4	64.2	35.8	64.7	35.3	65.0	35.0	65.0	35.0	65.2	34.8	65.2	34.8	65.3	34.7
0.5	67.4	32.6	68.0	32.0	68.4	31.6	68.5	31.5	68.6	31.4	68.8	31.2	68.8	31.2
0.6	70.5	29.5	71.2	28.8	71.6	28.4	71.8	28.2	72.0	28.0	72.0	28.0	72.2	27.8
0.7	73.2	26.8	74.2	25.8	74.6	25.4	74.0	26.0	75.2	24.8	75.2	24.8	75.4	24.6
0.8	75.8	24.2	76.9	23.1	77.4	22.6	77.7	22.3	78.0	22.0	78.1	21.9	78.2	21.8
0.9	78.2	21.8	79.5	20.5	80.1	19.9	80.4	19.6	80.5	19.5	80.8	19.2	81.0	19.0
1.0	80.4	19.6	81.7	18.3	82.4	17.6	82.7	17.3	83.0	17.0	83.2	16.8	83.4	16.6
1.1	82.3	17.7	83.8	16.2	84.6	15.4	85.0	15.0	85.3	14.7	85.5	14.5	85.6	14.4
1.2	84.1	15.9	85.7	14.3	86.4	13.6	86.8	13.2	87.2	12.8	87.4	12.6	87.6	12.4
1.3	85.6	14.4	87.2	12.8	88.0	12.0	88.6	11.4	89.0	11.0	89.2	10.8	89.4	10.6
1.4	87.0	13.0	88.8	11.2	89.8	10.2	90.2	9.8	90.5	9.5	90.7	9.3	90.9	9.1
1.5	88.2	11.8	90.2	9.8	90.9	9.1	91.3	8.7	91.7	8.3	92.0	8.0	92.2	7.8
1.6	89.5	10.5	91.2	8.8	92.0	8.0	92.4	7.6	92.8	7.2	93.2	6.8	93.4	6.6
1.7	90.4	9.6	92.1	7.9	93.0	7.0	93.5	6.5	94.0	6.0	94.4	5.6	94.6	5.4
1.8	91.2	8.8	93.0	7.0	94.0	6.0	94.6	5.4	95.1	4.9	95.3	4.7	95.5	4.5
1.9	91.8	8.2	94.0	6.0	95.0	5.0	95.4	4.6	95.8	4.2	96.0	4.0	96.2	3.8
2.0	92.8	7.2	94.8	5.2	95.6	4.4	96.0	4.0	96.4	3.6	97.2	2.8	96.8	3.2
2.2	94.0	6.0	95.8	4.2	96.6	3.4	97.2	2.8	97.8	2.2	97.7	2.3	97.8	2.2
2.4	95.2	4.8	96.8	3.2	97.6	2.4	97.8	2.2	98.2	1.8	98.4	1.6	98.6	1.4
2.6	95.8	4.2	97.8	2.2	98.0	2.0	98.4	1.6	98.8	1.2	99.0	1.0	99.1	0.9
2.8	96.4	3.6	98.0	2.0	98.6	1.4	99.0	1.0	99.2	0.8	99.3	0.7	99.4	0.6
3.0	97.0	3.0	98.3	1.7	99.0	1.0	99.2	0.8	99.4	0.6	99.5	0.5	99.6	0.4
3.2	97.5	2.5	98.7	1.3	99.2	0.8	99.4	0.6	99.6	0.4	99.6	0.4	99.6	0.4
3.4	97.8	2.2	99.0	1.0	99.4	0.6	99.6	0.4	99.6	0.4	99.7	0.3	99.8	0.2
3.6	98.0	2.0	99.2	0.8	99.5	0.5	99.6	0.4	99.7	0.3	99.8	0.2	99.8	0.2
3.8	98.2	1.8	99.4	0.4	99.6	0.4	99.6	0.4	99.8	0.2	99.8	0.2	99.9	0.1
4.0	98.4	1.6	99.5	0.5	99.6	0.4	99.7	0.3	99.8	0.2	99.9	0.1	99.9+	0.1—
4.2	98.6	1.4	99.6	0.4	99.6	0.4	99.8	0.2	99.9	0.1	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—
4.4	98.8	1.2	99.6	0.4	99.7	0.3	99.8	0.2	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—
4.6	99.0	1.0	99.6	0.4	99.8	0.2	99.9	0.1	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—
4.8	99.1	1.0	99.6	0.4	99.8	0.2	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—
5.0	99.2	0.8	99.6	0.4	99.8	0.2	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—	99.9+	0.1—

*Per cent of values $\geqq$ specification if $x_m >$ specifications.
†Per cent of values $\leqq$ specification if $x_m <$ specification.

sis, it is quite clear that the means from lot to lot can differ significantly. Although not a result of the analysis, it also seems quite reasonable to believe that the variation from lot to lot over a period of time might be subject to change.

By assuming that yield-point distributions are in all cases approximated by normal distributions, with possibly differing means and variances, the percentage of the yield points in any lot which are greater than the specification minimum can be estimated by the following procedure.

A sample of n specimens is selected from sheets taken at random from the lot and is tested for the yield points (x_1, x_2, . . ., x_n). Estimates of the lot's mean, μ, and variance, σ^2, can be obtained from this set of values by (see *Nomenclature*):

$$x_m = \frac{1}{n}(x_1 + x_2 + \ldots + x_n)$$

and

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1}[(x_1 - x_m)^2 + (x_2 - x_m)^2 + \ldots + (x_n - x_m)^2]$$

Selecting the sheets at random permits the estimate of the variance to contain essentially two components: that component due to sheet-to-sheet variation, and that due to position within the sheets.

Since the normal distribution is completely defined by μ and σ^2, the estimates x_m and s^2 define the approximate distribution of yield points of the lot. However, a more useful description of this distribution is obtained by including the percentage of the yield points which may be expected to fall at or above the specification minimum. This percentage can be found by finding the probability

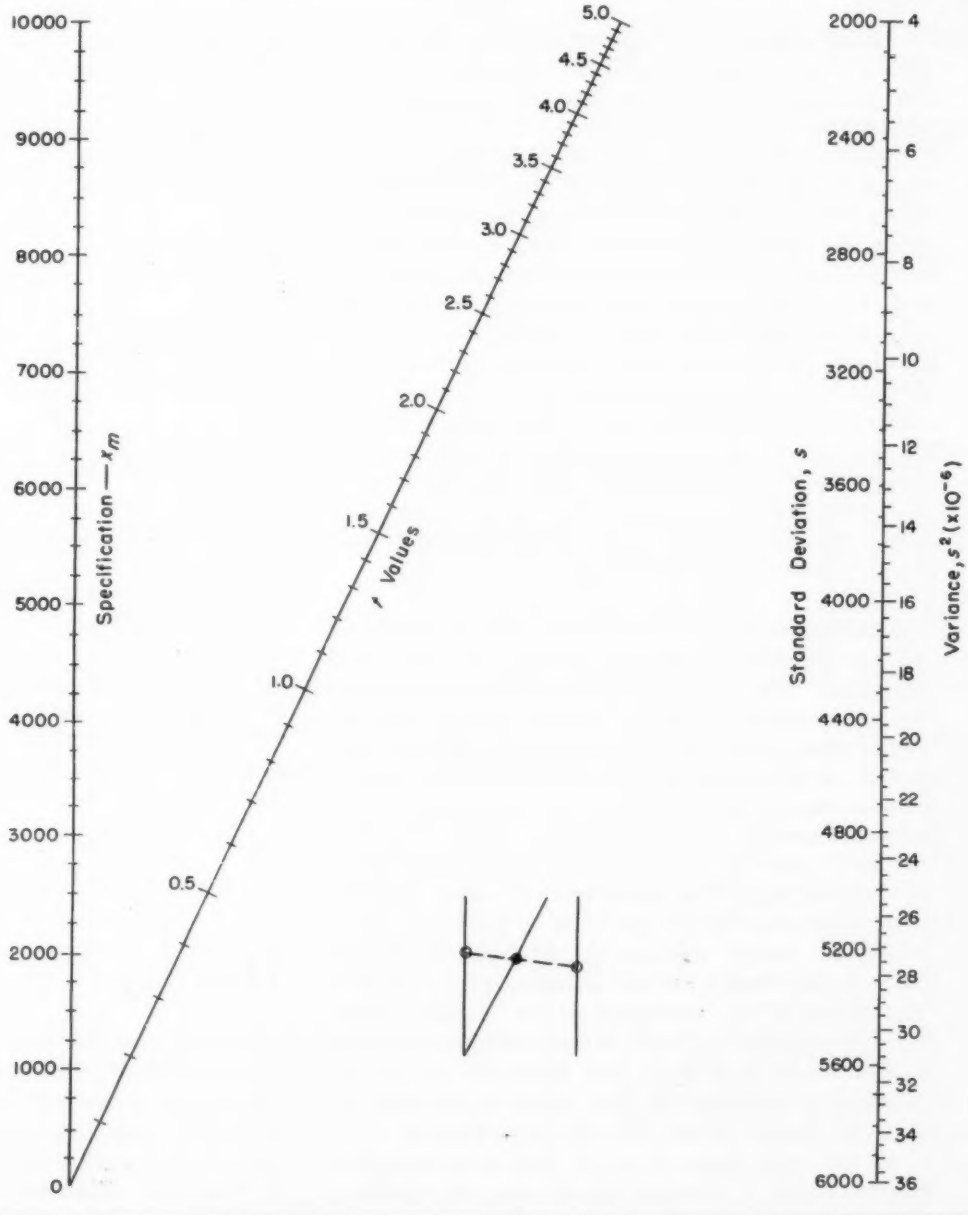

Fig. 1 — Alignment chart for determining t-value used in estimating actual distribution of tensile properties of steel

of t being greater than or equal to the "t-statistic",

$$t = \frac{\text{specification} - x}{s}$$

Tables giving this or some associated probability can be found in the appended *References*. Since the task of determining this probability becomes a rather repetitive one, use has been made of an alignment chart, *Fig.* 1, and some tabulated probabilities, *Table* 3.

Use of this alignment chart and the table of probabilities should be sufficiently explained by considering an example.

Suppose that for a lot of high-yield steel, a sample of eight specimens has a mean yield point x_m = 60,000 psi and a variance $s^2 = 16 \times 10^6$ (or standard deviation s = 4000 psi). If the specified minimum yield point of this material is 55,000 psi, the absolute difference between the specification minimum and the lot mean is

$$\text{specification} - x_m = 55{,}000 - 60{,}000 = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

On the alignment chart a corresponding t-value of 1.25 is read. Once the t-value is known, *Table* 3 can be used to obtain the desired probability or percentage.

Since a sample of eight specimens was used to obtain x_m and s^2, the per cent of the distribution above the specification minimum is obtained by using, in *Table* 3, column I, under sample size 8. In this case, t = 1.25 falls between the values 1.2 and 1.3. Percentages corresponding to these t-values are 86.4 and 88.0. Linear interpolation gives the percentage value corresponding to t = 1.25 as 87.2 or approximately 87.

Thus, for a lot whose mean yield point is 60,000 psi and whose standard deviation is 4000 psi, as determined from a sample of eight specimens, it is estimated that 87 per cent of the lot will have yield points greater than or equal to the specified minimum yield point of 55,000 psi.

Conclusions: Customary tensile tests at the steel mill do not give a complete picture of yield-point variation. While all tests at the mill can be above the specification minimum, further testing may indicate some yield point values to be below the minimum. A specification, while important in establishing standards, should not be considered as an iron-clad guarantee of properties. More attention should be paid to the fact that normal fluctuations in material properties are always present. Rather than reject material on the basis of minimum properties, the design engineer should consider the expected distribution of the mechanical properties. Knowledge of the maximum stress, safety factor, *and* the possible variation in mechanical properties should enable engineers and designers to set up reasonable requirements that might be satisfied by material on the minus side of a specification.

At the same time, it is felt that steel suppliers should begin to consider acceptance of specifications in which properties are specified on a statistical basis. Experience has shown that the standard of two tests per heat does not even begin to describe accurately the mechanical properties of the material. If steel is purchased according to a specification that is set up with respect to average properties and acceptable limits of the variation associated with these properties, suppliers will find this approach to be to their advantage. Instead of having material rejected because it fails to meet a specification minimum, they may, by means of a statistical analysis, show the customer that a desired percentage of the material will meet a given requirement if the specification properties have been stated on a statistical basis.

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Spring Correction Simplified

STRESS correction factor, K, for helical round-wire compression springs or tension springs, otherwise known as the "Wahl correction factor," is given by:

$$K = \frac{4c - 1}{4c - 4} + \frac{0.615}{c}$$

where c is the "spring index," that is, $c = 2r/d$ or the ratio of body diameter to wire diameter.* Examination of this form shows that when c is given, the formula requires three slide-rule operations and three summation operations to yield the value of K.

A method of simplifying slide-rule computation is by rewriting the formula as follows:

$$K = \frac{c - 1/4}{c - 1} + \frac{0.615}{c}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{0.75}{c - 1} + \frac{0.615}{c}$$

After revision, the formula requires only two slide-rule operations and two summations. Since c is not usually an integer, better accuracy will result, considering slide rule limitations. — ROBERT A. VANSLETTE, *Doelcam Corp., Newton, Mass.*

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They Say . . .

"It is surprising how much money can be saved by watching even so small an item as a bolt. The big things somebody else has already discovered and done something about; it is the little things that, even though they take a lot of patience, result in savings."—WARREN C. MACFARLANE, *President and General Manager, Minneapolis-Moline Co.*

MACHINE DESIGN
Data Sheet

How to Find Reactions of Beams with Nonuniform Loading

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REACTIONS at the supports of nonuniformly loaded beams can be easily found by the methods shown in this data sheet. The methods are based on the proposition that two resultants are better than one.

The resultant of a distributed load may be either

1. A single force along a certain line which must be determined
2. A couple, or
3. Two forces along predetermined parallel lines, which will have the same effect, mechanicswise, as the original distributed load.

It may not be both the first and second conditions in any one case, but the third will always give a desired effect no matter whether the alternative be a force or a couple.

Simplest case of a distributed load is shown in *Fig.* 1. Conventional attack is to find the single resultant, *Fig.* 1*a*, then take moments to find the reactions at the two supports. Here the resultant is midway between the supports and the reactions are easily found by inspection; but other cases are more difficult. The methods to be presented here give a direct solution for the resultant at each of the two ends of the loaded section, *Fig.* 1*b*. Magnitude and location of the single resultant W can be skipped.

For the more difficult problems of distributed but nonuniform loading the method is to find an equation for the load per unit length. Simplest of these is the linear relation $w = a + bx$, where x is the position on the beam measured from the left-hand support, at which the unit loading is w, and a and b are constants, *Fig.* 2.

To find the two resultants take moments about the left and right-hand positions:

$$M_{x=0} = \int_0^L wx\,dx - R_R L$$

$$M_{x=L} = R_L L - \int_0^L w(L-x)\,dx$$

Since these moments are each equal to zero,

$$R_R = \frac{1}{L}\int_0^L wx\,dx \quad \ldots\ldots (1)$$

$$R_L = \frac{1}{L}\int_0^L w(L-x)\,dx \quad \ldots\ldots (2)$$

Substituting for w its value $w = a + bx$ and

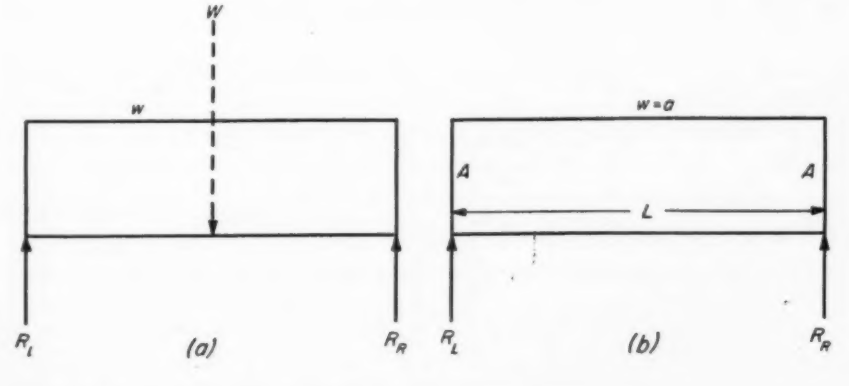


Fig. 1—Simple beam with uniform load w pounds per unit length. Single resultant is W pounds, acting at midpoint, *a*. Two resultants acting support points, *b*, are more directly useful

integrating Equations 1 and 2, the resultants are found to be

$$R_R = \frac{aL}{2} + \frac{bL^2}{3}$$

$$R_L = \frac{aL}{2} + \frac{bL^2}{6}$$

To find the coefficients a and b in the equation which fits the loading, the values of two ordinates A and B at the ends are determined. Since $w = A$ when $x = 0$, and $w = B$ when $x = L$ the coefficients are found to be

$$a = A$$

$$b = \frac{B - A}{L}$$

Substituting these values in the foregoing equations for the right and left-hand resultants,

$$R_R = \frac{L}{6}(A + 2B)$$

$$R_L = \frac{L}{6}(2A + B)$$

Total load W is the sum of the two resultants

$$W = R_L + R_R \quad \ldots\ldots (3)$$

Location of the single resultant, W, if needed may be found from simple moments. Thus, if L_L is the distance of the line of action of W from the left end

$$WL_L = R_R L$$

from which

$$L_L = \frac{R_R L}{W} = \frac{R_R L}{R_L + R_R} \quad \ldots\ldots (4)$$

More complex distributions of loading call for equations with second, third or even fourth-power terms. Thus, if the loading curve is not a straight line, as it is in *Fig.* 2, a good approximation might be a parabola, *Fig.* 3. This particular case responds to Simpson's Rule for figuring total load. If the varying load has three known ordinates A, B and C spaced apart equally, it is possible to fit a curve of the form $w = a + bx + cx^2$ through the three ordinates.

Procedure here is precisely the same as before, and may be generalized as follows:

1. Substitute equation for w in Equations 1 and 2 and solve for R_R and R_L
2. Set $w = A$ when $x = 0$, $w = B$ when $x = L/2$ and $w = C$ when $x = L$, in the equation for w and solve the resulting simultaneous equations for a, b and c in terms of A, B and C
3. Substitute back into equations for R_R and R_L so that these resultants are expressed directly in terms of A, B, C and L
4. If necessary, find total load W by adding R_L and R_R, Equation 3.

Results of the foregoing steps are given in *Table* 1, which shows the values of a, b and c in terms of A, B and C, and in *Table* 2, which lists the resultant loads and total load.

Table 1—Equations for Curve Fitting

Illustration	Fig. 1	Fig 2	Fig. 3	Fig. 4	Fig. 5
Type of Curve	a	$a + bx$	$a + bx + cx^2$	$a + bx + cx^2 + dx^3$	$a + bx + cx^2 + dx^3 + cx^4$
Number of Ordinates Needed	1	2	3	4	5
$a =$	A	A	A	A	A
$b =$	0	$\frac{B-A}{L}$	$\frac{-3A+4B-C}{L}$	$\frac{-11A+18B-9C+2D}{2L}$	$\frac{-25A+48B-36C+16D-3E}{3L}$
$c =$	0	0	$\frac{2(A-2B+C)}{L^2}$	$\frac{9(2A-5B+4C-D)}{2L^2}$	$\frac{2(35A-104B+114C-56D+11E)}{3L^2}$
$d =$	0	0	0	$\frac{9(-A+3B-3C+D)}{2L^3}$	$\frac{16(-5A+18B-24C+14D-3E)}{3L^3}$
$e =$	0	0	0	0	$\frac{32(A-4B+6C-4D+E)}{3L^4}$

It now becomes evident that it is simpler to find the two resultants for the ends of the loading than to work out the total resultant and the location of its line of action.

Expansion of Simpson's Rule to cover four or five ordinates follows the same procedure. The fitting curve for four equally spaced ordinates A, B, C and D is of the form $w = a + bx + cx^2 + dx^3$. The coefficients a, b, c and d are given in *Table* 1, and the resultant forces in *Table* 2. As the number of evenly spaced ordinates goes up, the number of terms in the fitting curve goes up. And the work of figuring the equivalent of Simpson's Rule becomes extremely laborious. The results are

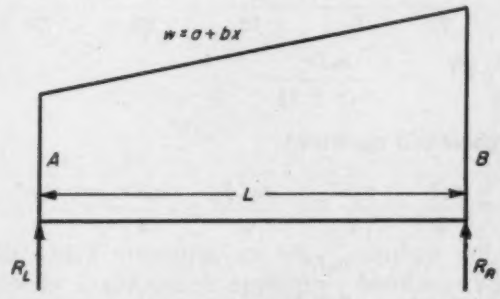
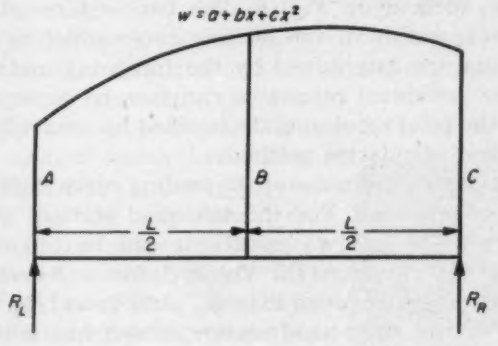


Fig. 2 — Above — Beam with load that increases in straight-line fashion from one end to the other. Equation to the loading curve is $w = a + bx$, which can be expressed in terms of two ordinates A and B

Fig. 3—Below—Loading curve in the form of a parabola. Values of three equally spaced ordinates A, B and C must be known to specify the loading curve equation



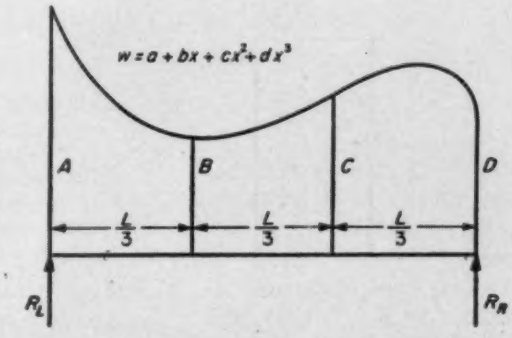


Fig. 4—Above—Loading curve requiring a third-degree equation. Four equally spaced ordinates A, B, C and D must be known. Results are given in *Tables* 1 and 2

Fig. 5 — Below — Fourth-degree equation loading curve, which may be useful where load variation is extremely irregular

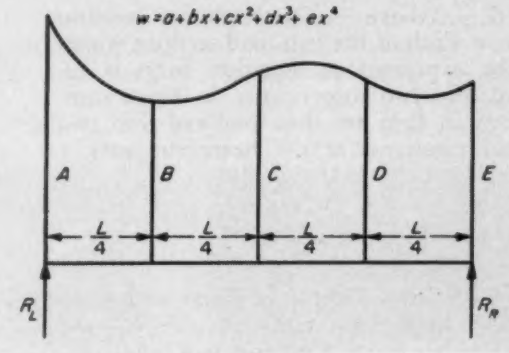


Table 2—Resultants for Five Types of Beam Load Curves

Load Curve	Fig. 1	Fig. 2	Fig. 3	Fig. 4	Fig. 5
$R_L =$	$\frac{AL}{2}$	$\frac{L}{6}(2A+B)$	$\frac{L}{6}(A+2B)$	$\frac{L}{120}(13A+36B+9C+2D)$	$\frac{L}{90}(7A+24B+6C+8D)$
$R_R =$	$\frac{AL}{2}$	$\frac{L}{6}(A+2B)$	$\frac{L}{6}(2B+C)$	$\frac{L}{120}(2A+9B+36C+13D)$	$\frac{L}{90}(8B+6C+24D+7E)$
$W =$	AL	$\frac{L}{2}(A+B)$	$\frac{L}{6}(A+4B+C)$*	$\frac{L}{8}(A+3B+3C+D)$	$\frac{L}{90}(7A+32B+12C+32D+7E)$

*This equation follows Simpson's rule, which is exact for parabolic curves.

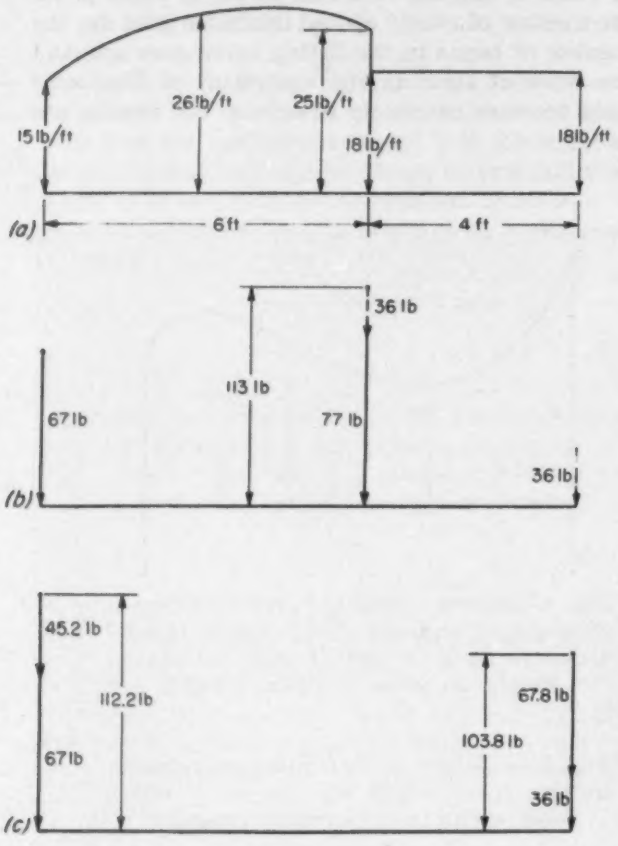
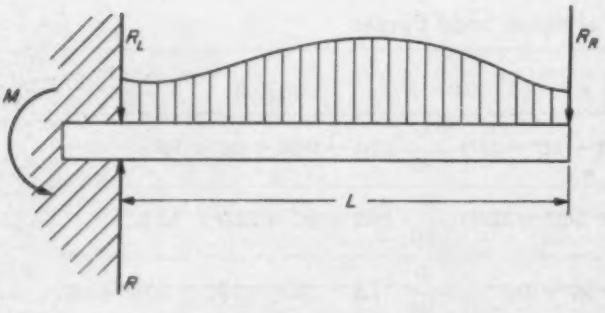


Fig. 6 — Above — Discontinuous loading curve, *a*. Each of the two load sections which can be expressed in equation form is resolved into two components, *b*. These components in turn are then resolved into two overall resultants at the beam supports, *c*

Fig. 7—Below—Cantilever beam with non-uniform load. Two resultants are R_L and R_R. Reaction force at support is $R = R_L + R_R$. Reaction moment is $R_R L$



given for a 5-ordinate curve in *Tables* 1 and 2.

If the loading curve can be fitted only by a curve of even higher degree, the necessary working equations can be derived from the following relations:

Loading curve:

$$w = a_1 + a_2x + a_3x^2 + a_4x^3 + a_5x^4 + \cdots + a_nx^{n-1}$$

Left-hand resultant:

$$R_L = \frac{a_1L}{2} + \frac{a_2L^2}{6} + \frac{a_3L^3}{12} + \frac{a_4L^4}{20} + \frac{a_5L^5}{30} + \cdots + \frac{a_nL^n}{n(n+1)}$$

Right-hand resultant:

$$R_R = \frac{a_1L}{2} + \frac{a_2L^2}{3} + \frac{a_3L^3}{4} + \frac{a_4L^4}{5} + \frac{a_5L^5}{6} + \cdots + \frac{a_nL^n}{n+1}$$

Total load:

$$w = a_1L + \frac{a_2L^2}{2} + \frac{a_3L^3}{3} + \frac{a_4L^4}{4} + \frac{a_5L^5}{5} + \cdots + \frac{a_nL^n}{n}$$

DISCONTINUOUS LOADING: The foregoing methods also can be applied to discontinuous loading situations, such as in *Fig.* 6. The two end resultants of each section of the loading curve which is continuous are determined by the foregoing methods. These individual resultants can then be superposed and the total resultants determined by conventional moment-calculation methods.

EXAMPLE: Ordinates of the loading curve in *Fig.* 6*a* are as indicated. For the left-hand section, which spans 6 ft, the two resultants can be calculated from the equations in *Table* 2 for a 3-ordinate curve. They are found to be $R_L = 67$ lb and $R_R = 77$ lb. For the right-hand section, which has uniform loading, the two resultants are each equal to 36 lb, *Table* 1. These two sets of resultants are superposed, *Fig.* 6*b*, and combined in *Fig.* 6*c*.

BEAM SUPPORTS: For beams simply supported at each end, the reactions are equal to the two resultants found by the methods presented here. If the supports are not at the ends, that is, if they do not coincide with the resultants, the reactions can be found by simple moments, using the two resultants.

Cantilever beam reactions are also calculated easily from the two resultants. The reaction force at the support is equal to the sum of the two resultants R_L and R_R. The reaction moment is equal to the resultant remote from the support times its distance to the support, *Fig.* 7.

Methods presented in this data sheet apply only to statically determinate beams.

Adhesive Bonding

. . . for joining metals and plastics

DESIGN ABSTRACTS

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GENERALLY speaking, an adhesive is a substance applied as a thin intermediate layer between two bodies for the purpose of joining these into a functional unit. The resultant joint must have sufficient strength to resist forces tending to cause separation of the parts. Practically all commercial adhesives are polymeric organic materials. Those adhesives which are employed in structural applications are most generally based upon synthetic resins. They are capable of hardening upon suitable reaction, generally in the presence of heat or catalyst. This process, termed curing or setting of the adhesive, is usually accompanied by the application of pressures in the range 10-300 psi. The epoxy-base adhesives are the outstanding exception, requiring only contact pressures, and are capable of being cured at room temperature.

Combined Joining Methods: While adhesive bonding is being employed in numerous cases in preference to other conventional fastening techniques, adhesives do not provide a "cure-all" for all fastening or joining problems. The most intelligent approach to selecting a suitable fastening technique is to decide which of the various methods is most satisfactory for a given application and to be able to employ all of these methods. It may often be advantageous to employ adhesive bonding in combination with another fastening method. For example, in aircraft aluminum honeycomb cores are first adhesive bonded to skins in the fabrication of parts such as wings, fuselages, etc. These bonded panels are then reinforced along the edges with rivets. Likewise, in missiles it has been found that large holes in pressurized tanks are best repaired by adhesive bonding a metal patch to the tank. Rivets are inserted around the patch essentially to fill holes used in clamping parts together during cure, *Fig.* 1. A structure repaired in this fashion, incidentally, has been successfully tested at temperatures as low as −300 F and under several pressure cycles up to 150 psi.

Some basic advantages of adhesive bonding are:

1. Joins dissimilar materials.
2. Eliminates need for high temperatures during joining.
3. Eliminates need for piercing materials.
4. Fastens parts to thin metal

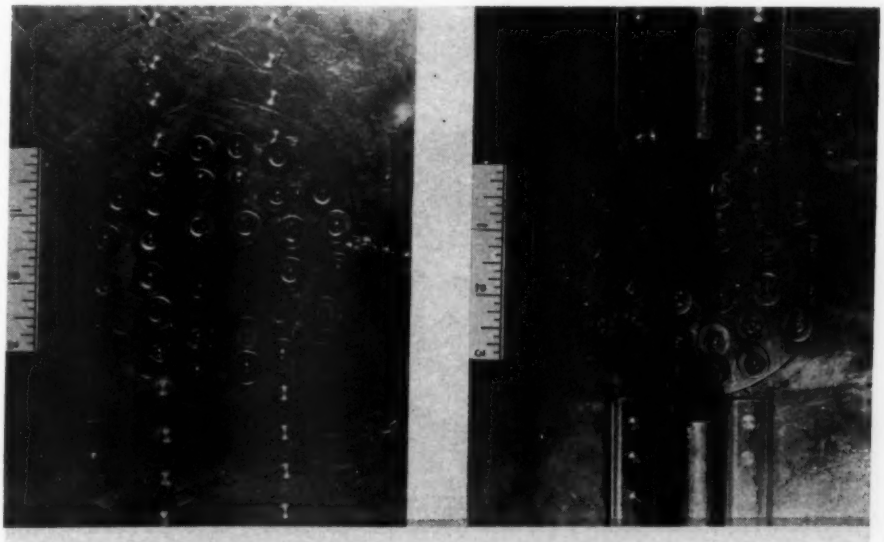

Fig. 1—Outside and inside of patch after bonding by curing at 315 F for one hour. In the final assembly, machine screws, washers and excess adhesive will be removed and rivet plugs installed

structures.
5. Provides leak-proof joints (sealing action).
6. Increases structural effectiveness through:
   a. Uniform stress distribution and increased service life.
   b. Reduced weight.
   c. Smooth surfaces and contours.
7. Reduces production costs.
8. Provides insulation and vibration-damping properties.
9. Resists corrosion.

Joining of Dissimilar and Thin Materials: Dissimilar metals and plastics, and thin materials, are advantageously joined with adhesives. In general, the mechanical mating of two dissimilar metals, such as aluminum and steel, is likely to result in severe corrosion over those areas in contact, especially in moist atmospheres. The adhesive bond provides a thin insulating layer preventing contact of dissimilar metals, and minimizing galvanic action with its accompanying corrosive effects.

In addition to corrosion problems, some pairs of metals, aluminum and magnesium are good examples, form brittle joints upon welding. Likewise impractical is welding of sheets of markedly different thicknesses. This factor is of little concern with adhesive bonding.

Use of a flux during soldering introduces the possibility of subsequent corrosion in the fabricated assembly, especially when residual flux cannot be readily removed. Adhesive bonding has eliminated this source of failure in joining corrugated brass sheet.

Thinner gage metals may be employed in adhesive-bonded structures than those used with other joining methods. Often the adhesive bond may be stronger than the parent metal. The metal need not be pierced or otherwise damaged during the joining operation.

An excellent practical example where the elimination of projections has proved to be an advantage of adhesive bonding is in the fastening of brake linings to steel brake shoes. Both the performance and useful life of the assembly have been enhanced.

Surface and Weight Considerations: A formed overlay skin ready to be bonded to a wing section is shown in *Fig.* 2. In this application, the problem was to build up the thickness of the wing section. However, since a smooth, aerodynamic surface was required and since the overlay was too thin for countersinking prior to riveting, an adhesive bond was preferred. Adhesives are valuable when smooth surfaces are required, whether from an aerodynamic standpoint or simply because of appearance, or when minimum weight is important.

Sealing Action: In the past, little mention has been made of the sealing action of adhesive bonds. Numerous difficulties are today being encountered in the fabrication of structures that are required to be airtight. Sometimes these structures must be sealed against high-pressure differentials and fuel vapors. The use of adhesives eliminates the need for sealants since there are no holes introduced into the structure during the bonding process.

Illustrated in *Fig.* 3 is one application of an adhesive bond to provide both sealing and joining simultaneously. The fabrication of a working model of a steam-heated tool is shown. Two steel plates were machined as shown and then joined so that steam passes through the channel. The adhesive employed here, CHT, was developed by North American Aviation, Inc., to meet the requirements of elevated temperature-resistant sandwich-type constructions. It is now being used in the fabrication of prototype missile components operating at temperatures in the order of 500-600 F.

Production Advantages: From a production standpoint adhesive bonding has much in its favor. Large areas can be joined in one bonding operation. Many adhesives can be applied by spraying or brushing, permitting the coating of large areas in a relatively short time. Most of the operations are automatic or at least semi-automatic, so that skilled workmanship is not critical. Production times, and likewise costs, have been reduced. Simplification of design is another factor often of importance, especially in miniaturized equipment such as employed in electronic apparatus.

Two aluminum tape recorder reels are shown in *Fig.* 4. One was fabricated by adhesive bonding of the flanges to the spool; in the other, the parts were joined by staking. This latter technique required additional design details and considerably more machining. In this particular application, it was essential that during the wrapping of the tape on the reel the flanges deflect less than 0.070-inch to maintain clearance between adjacent reels. It was found that if a 100-lb load was imposed by 0.75-inch of wrap, this 0.070-inch clearance could be closed in the case of the staked reel; on the other hand, the same loading condition on the bonded flange pro-

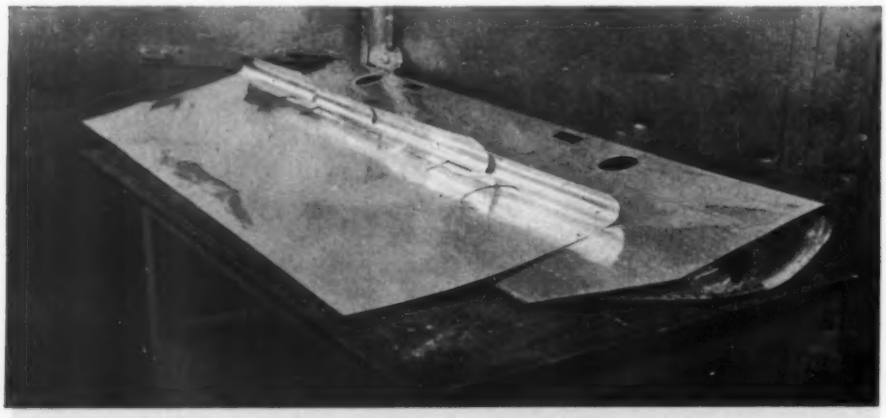

Fig. 2—Adhesive bonding leaves a smooth, aerodynamic surface on this formed overlay skin after application to a wing section

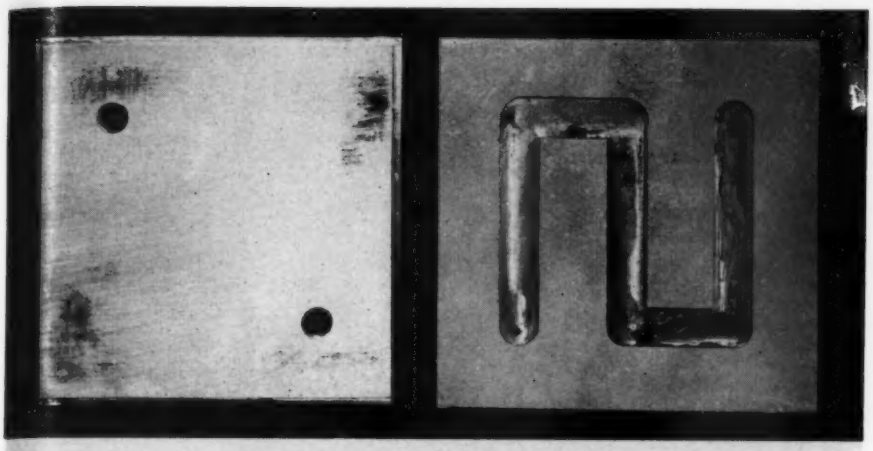

Fig. 3—Simultaneous sealing and joining of steam passages in this steam-heated tool is achieved through fabrication by adhesive bonding

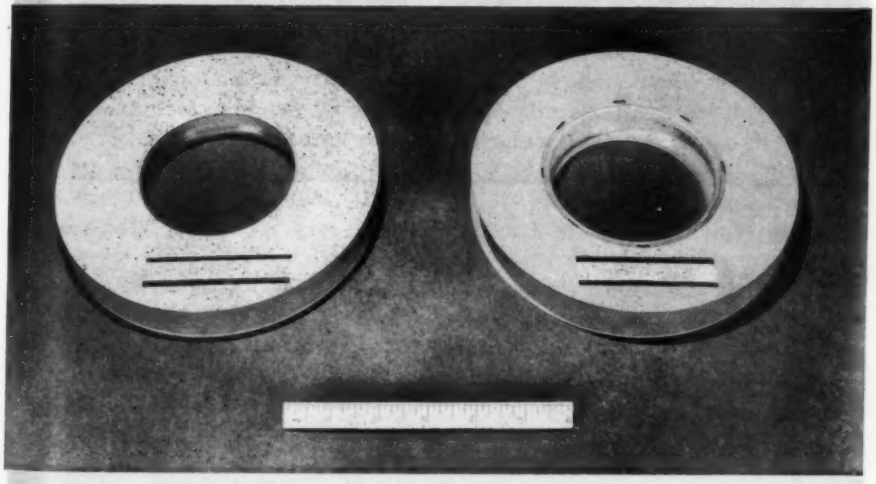

Fig. 4—Aluminum tape-recorder reel at the left was fabricated by adhesive bonding, the other by staking. Adhesive bonding produced more strength with fewer design details and less machining

duced only 0.015-inch deflection. Also, the adhesive-bonded reel was observed to be capable of sustaining about twice the bending load of the staked reel.

Structural Advantages: Structural advantages of adhesive-bonding are of considerable interest to the aircraft industry. An adhesive bond may be likened to a myriad of molecular-sized fasteners, each capable of withstanding applied forces. Thus, the bond can distribute loads uniformly over the entire area joined. The tendency for buckling in aircraft panels is largely eliminated when adhesives are used in the fabrication.

Sandwich Construction: The fabrication of sandwich-type construction provides one of the most promising applications for the use of adhesives. This new type of construction generally consists of a lightweight core material sandwiched between two relatively strong and thin skins or facings. Sandwich constructions are already being employed in primary as well as secondary structures in the aircraft and other industries in such applications as doors, bulkheads, partitions, floors, fuselage and wing skins, control surfaces, and radomes. Decorative applications, as in table tops, office partitions and skylighting, are now being considered involving such materials as window glass for facings. Indeed, the simplicity, uniformity, and light weight available through sandwich-type constructions are making these attractive not only to the aircraft, but to numerous industries engaged in nonmilitary products. Typical sandwich-type structure is illustrated in *Fig.* 5.

A wide variety of core materials are available, ranging from thermoplastic materials, such as Styrofoam and cellular cellulose acetate, to honeycombed aluminum and steel foils. A similarly wide choice of facing materials exist. The result is a tremendous flexibility in choice of materials, physical properties, and design.

The only economically practical method for joining these various core and facing materials is by adhesive bonding. Adhesives are used also in the splicing together of core sections and in the fastening of inserts and edgings to the sandwich. The tremendous growth of sandwich construction during the past decade has closely followed the rapid strides being made in the development of adhesives.

Bonding Procedures: Because the curing of the adhesive is a chemical reaction and because adhesion of the adhesive interlayer to the surfaces of the adherends is essential, the success of the joint is largely dependent upon proper application techniques. Usually the adhesive manufacturer or vendor will recommend optimum procedures which should be followed as closely as possible.

The procedures to be employed in adhesive bonding are summarized as follows:

1. Preparation of faying surfaces for bonding:
   a. Machining parts to match.
   b. Cleaning surfaces.
   c. Treating surfaces chemically.
   d. Masking adjacent areas.
2. Application of adhesive:
   a. Mixing of adhesive.
   b. Spraying, brushing, spreading of adhesive or cutting of adhesive film or tape.
   c. Removing excess adhesive.
3. Assembly of parts and curing of bond:
   a. Applying heat.
   b. Applying pressure.

Industrial Outlook: From an in-

dustrial standpoint, adhesive bonding is yet in its infancy. The present stage of development might well be described as the educational phase for industrial adhesives. Engineers and other technical personnel are now learning the why and how of adhesive bonding. Once they have gained confidence in this method, increasing numbers of applications will be found, and eventually engineers throughout industry will design specifically for adhesive bonding in order to utilize fully its vast potential.

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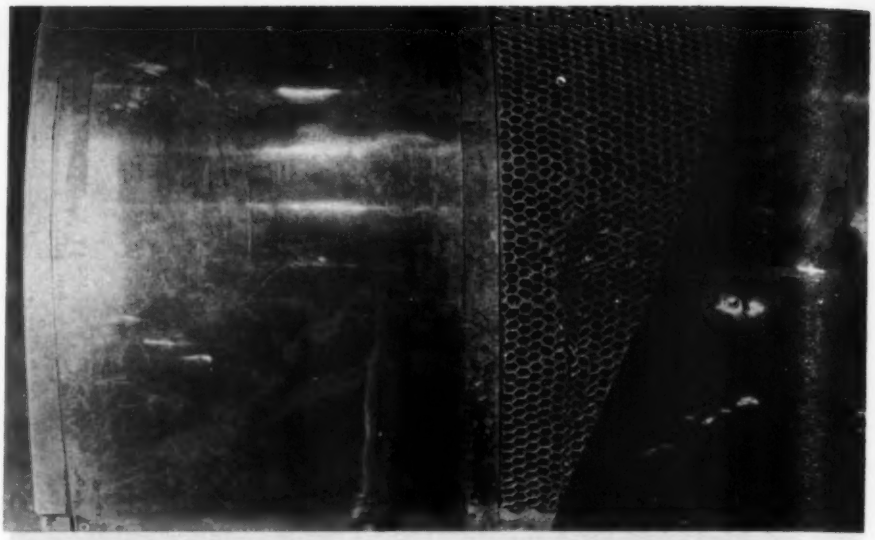

Fig. 5—Wing section with portion of skin removed to show aluminum honeycomb core. Adhesive serves to join skins to the core, the bonding being formed along the areas of the cell walls adjacent to the skins

A Practical Approach to

Industrial Design

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A FIVE-POINT yardstick for good industrial design can be applied to every design problem, just as an auto mechanic applies a checklist to a balky motor. The points are:

1. Utility and safety
2. Maintenance
3. Cost
4. Sales appeal
5. Appearance

Let us consider these points.

Utility and Safety: Is the automobile easy to handle? Does the vacuum cleaner roll lightly and smoothly over the rug? Is the telephone grip comfortable? Is the turnoff switch easy to find when the alarm clock rings? Are the complicated controls of an airplane easy for the pilot to identify? On the Mergenthaler Linotype machine it was necessary to assure that the controls were placed within easy reach. For a Link Aviation testing device a great deal of time was spent insuring quick legibility. On the Mosler vault door for banks the legibility of the combination dial was made clearer.

Safety is a natural corollary to utility. Workers used to get badly injured on machinery. Today most hazards have been eliminated. On a Davidson duplicating machine the gear drive mechanism was shrouded so that the operator's hands and clothing would not get caught in it. On a Warner & Swasey turret lathe various colored knobs to denote emergency controls were used. The hydraulic control levers on National Supply's T 20 oil drilling rigs were placed within easy reach for a fast emergency getaway. Trade unions have been a great factor in promoting safety and designers frequently key their work to patterns the unions have developed.

Maintenance: How easy is it to wash a milk bottle or a frying pan? Can you find the elusive places to oil a sewing machine, or an electric shaver? How accessible are the cylinders on a diesel or the engines on a transport plane or the gear chains of a farm implement?

Maintenance must be an obvious thing. It must be easy to empty the grounds in a coffee maker or clean a plumbing fixture. The faucet handles on a Crane lavatory were mounted on ceramic pads so housewives could wipe around them and not have to dig into nasty cracks. The forms of an Ingraham clock and an RCA television set are very simple and easy to dust. The cover of the new small round Honeywell thermostat snaps off easily for quick access and maintenance of the interior apparatus. On the New York Times Stenofax duplicating machine the relays and working apparatus are on pull-out file drawer panels so the repair man can get to them easily.

Cost: No matter how preoccupied the designer is with the details of a new design, he is ever conscious

of cost of manufacture and distribution. Even when it is not the over-riding factor, the designer tries to bring in a product under the estimate. There are two phases of cost of manufacture—tool cost and production costs. In items reproduced in comparatively small numbers, tooling costs are vital as they must be prorated over small production. In the design of many mass-produced items, however, contemplated production is so large that the manufacturer can comfortably write off tooling costs. In either case it is important to avoid increased production costs which are a continuing expense.

The designer may recommend additional tooling if by doing so production costs will be appreciably reduced. In the long run, on the production lines, an article made in one piece instead of two or three saves a great deal in assembly. Take for example, the cabinet of a table radio which formerly was an assembly of many pieces of wood, each laboriously individually shaped, sanded, glued together, and finished; today the cabinet is the result of a single molding process using a plastic compound. The cost of the mold necessary for this method of fabrication was more than offset by the savings on the assembly line.

The size of a product is also watched because by keeping it a quarter or half an inch smaller than originally planned, it is often found that more of them can be placed on a conveyor belt. The size and weight of a product also are important factors in cost of distribution.

Sales Appeal: Many persons think sales appeal and appearance are synonymous but they are not. Sales appeal is an elusive psychological value. It is the silent selling the product must do, over and above its eye appeal.

The product must express quality through unity of design, through texture, through simplicity and forthrightness. Soundlessly it proclaims the excellence of its concealed mechanism and the integrity of its manufacturer. Sales appeal, therefore, is an amalgam of how a product feels, how it operates, and the association of pleasant ideas it conjures up in the purchaser's mind.

Appearance: What does the product look like? Will a customer who sees it on a shelf in a store with half a dozen competing products single it out because of its appearance? Will it be remembered by the consumer who has briefly glimpsed it on TV or in a magazine ad?

It is our experience that faithful application of the first four points of this yardstick give the product nine-tenths of this appearance factor. The other tenth springs from the application of all we know of form, proportion, line and color. The whole emerges with vitality and with the assurance required in the highly competitive marketplace.

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Cermets

. . . materials for high-temperature service

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DURING the last decade, new high-temperature materials have been developed, consisting of combinations of metals with refractory compounds, to help fill the gap between the so-called superalloys and ceramics. The word "cermet" has been coined for these materials, and a rather large number of compositions is available at present to fulfill one or more design requirements.

Suitable refractory compounds include oxides, carbides, nitrides, borides and silicides. The oxides are poor heat conductors and electrical insulators and are exceedingly brittle, as are the other materials in this field.

Carbides, borides and silicides, however, are metallic in nature and have electrical and heat conductivities which are in some cases even better than those of their parent metals. Their behavior is similar in all respects to that of a metal and they are, in some cases, components of the high-temperature alloy materials which are presently in use. When isolated and used in much larger percentages they form the base materials for cermets. Although oxide materials in combination with metals are being investigated widely and are commercially available, this discussion is concerned mainly with the metallic refractories, or so-called hard metals, and especially carbide, borides and silicides of metals such as titanium, zirconium, molybdenum and chromium.

About a quarter of a century ago, the first cermet material was prepared. This material is the well known cemented carbide, consisting of tungsten carbide and cobalt, which is used in cutting tools. The structure of this tungsten carbide-cobalt material consists of a matrix of cobalt in which tungsten carbide particles are embedded. A hard material, tungsten carbide, is cemented together by a ductile metal, cobalt. Tungsten carbide is not oxidation resistant and is not usable as a high-temperature material. Its metallurgical structure, however, has been the leading idea for all the cermet ma-

terials.

The preparation of carbides and borides is relatively simple. The metals in powder form are mixed with carbon or boron of commercial purity and heated up to the reaction temperature, which is about 2800 F. In the case of titanium or zirconium, where the metal powder is strongly pyrophoric and therefore difficult to handle, the hydride powders can be substituted for the metal powders. The resulting compound—carbide, boride or silicide—is easily crushed and is then ready for use after it has been milled to the desired particle size. These powders are then mixed with the metal powder which is used as binder and processed according to powder metallurgical procedures, consisting essentially of pressing to shape and sintering. Sintering is the heating process which transforms the rather chalky, pressed compact into a metallic piece which has more or less the final properties. Pressing and sintering processes can be repeated to obtain higher density or they can be combined into one step which would mean that the pressing is done at high temperature. It is possible and sometimes necessary to add some organic materials in very small percentages which hold the powder together after pressing and which help to obtain sharp corners and close dimensions. These parts are then sintered at temperatures which are usually high enough to form a liquid phase, though this is not absolutely necessary. However, it helps accelerate the sintering process and in some cases is necessary to obtain the desired microstructure.

A considerable shrinkage occurs during the sintering process, which is absolutely necessary to obtain a dense part as the final product. The piece after compaction has a density in the neighborhood of only 60 to 70 per cent, sometimes even less, while the finished product should be 100 per cent dense or at least close to it. Shrinkage is between 15 and 20 per cent linearly for most of these cermet materials. If the process is well under control, this shrinkage is so exactly reproducible that dimensions after sintering can be kept to close tolerances.

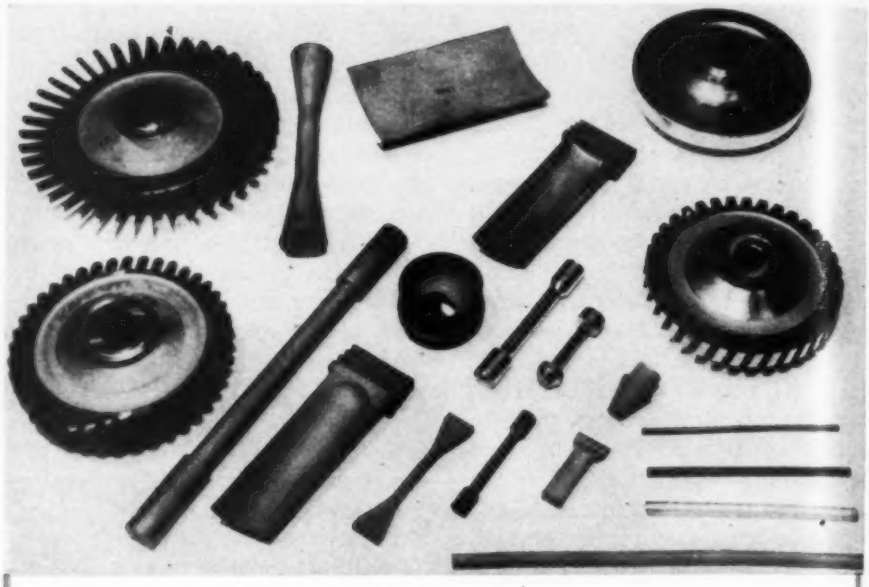

Fig. 1—Typical parts produced from titanium-carbide base cermet

Another interesting method of producing cermet materials is that of infiltration, which has recently been claimed to produce very good properties. In this case, the refractory material is sintered in the presence of only a very small amount of the binder metal. It then forms a rather porous skeleton which is reheated in contact with a slab of the infiltrant material. The compact and the metal are then heated to above the melting point of the latter, the metal melts and is forced by capillary action into the pores of the compact. It fills the pores entirely and by this method 100 per cent dense pieces can be produced. During this process the structure of the original hard metal compact is destroyed, and a new structure is formed which consists of more or less isolated particles suspended in the matrix of the metal.

Cermet materials receiving the most attention recently are:

1. Titanium carbide with nickel or cobalt binder, or with nickel alloys with chromium, molybdenum, or aluminum.
2. Boride base materials with or without the addition of materials such as chromium or nickel, using zirconium boride, chromium boride and molybdenum boride as the refractory components.
3. Silicide materials in the form of chromium or molybdenum disilicide.
4. Aluminum oxide and chromium materials.

Despite the variety of materials, the possibilities of combination are not as great as would appear on the basis of available compounds, especially if it is taken into account that most of the metals form a large number of borides and silicides with quite distinctive properties. The idea of the construction of cermets is to combine the metallic properties of the binder material with the refractory properties of the hard metal part. This consideration is, however, a simplification which is rarely or never quite correct. The reason is twofold. First, the two components react at high temperature to such a degree that in a number of cases new substances are formed which may have unknown or even undesirable properties. Second, the properties of such a compound material cannot be considered as the sum or the average of the properties of the individual materials.

The hard metal or metallic refractory which is most common for cermet application at present is titanium carbide. Titanium carbide has only fair oxidation resistance and two methods have been applied to improve the scaling resistance. One which has been

used by Kennametal is the addition of other carbides, TaC and NbC, which form solid solutions with titanium carbide and improve the resistance to oxidation considerably. To these solid solutions, nickel or nickel alloys are added which give some ductility to the cermet and make it possible to produce it at convenient sintering temperatures. A well known composition of Kennametal is K152B, composed of 70 per cent carbide and 30 per cent Ni.

The second method is to add chromium to the nickel binder phase and thereby improve the oxidation resistance. This method has been used by the American Electro Metal Corporation and Firth Sterling Company. Such a composition is called WZ-12C and consists of 50 per cent TiC and 50 per cent binder, composed of nickel, cobalt and chromium. Many variations in these compositions have been tried to improve behavior at high temperatures. Generally, the strength is adequate and so is the oxidation resistance, but the materials are still quite brittle especially at room temperature, and the problem of improving the impact strength has not been solved. A selection of some parts made of TiC base cermet is shown in *Fig.* 1.

Other materials consist of chromium boride or zirconium boride with or without the addition of binder metals, such as chromium, and these materials have shown exceptionally high strength values at very high temperatures. They are also quite brittle but will, it is believed, form the basis for new materials, if still higher temperature requirements than 1800 F will be brought forward by engine designers.

The combination of borides or silicides with their parent metals (for instance, chromium silicide and chromium) is also a possible way to produce cermets. However, this is only possible for the lowest compound formed in the system. Chromium and silicon, for instance, form at least four different compounds together, and if chromium would be added to chromium disilicide, a reaction would occur forming a lower silicide, rather than preserving the combination of disilicide and chromium as a cermet material. Cermets on this basis have been produced and are being investigated at present for their physical properties and their stability at high temperatures. Chromium base materials have the advantage of being excellent in oxidation resistance although brittle.

Properties required for a high temperature material are high tensile strength, low creep, high stress-to-rupture strength, good heat shock resistance, low oxidation and the highest possible impact resistance. Characteristic curves of change of strength with temperature are shown for two cermet compositions in *Fig.* 2. For a 100-hour life, strengths of 12,000 to 25,000 psi can be obtained at 1800 F. This is satisfactory for almost all applications. The heat shock resistance of most of these materials is also quite good and 2000 cycles from 1800 F to room temperature have been withstood.

The property which is still preventing the wide application of these new high temperature materials is the impact strength at room and at high temperatures. In some cases the high-temperature impact resistance is considerably better, but this is the exception rather than the rule. The impact resistance of the best cermet materials available is roughly only 20 per cent of some of the superalloys which may even be considered brittle if compared with the ordinary metals.

For stationary applications some cermets would be usable immediately if the impact requirements were not too high. There, however, the competition of the cast and wrought superalloys is quite strong, and the superiority of the cermet material not so pronounced.

New and stronger materials as well as materials with better impact strengths are being developed constantly. It is, however, not to be expected that materials would ever be created which are comparable to the superalloys in impact behavior but have a higher temperature limit.

For short-time applications, such as rockets, some of the present day materials may be immediately applicable. Competition here is strong with standard ceramic substances. For rotating parts and machinery in which close dimensional tolerances are required at high temperatures, present designs and these materials do not fit together as yet. Even if cermet blading for a jet engine would fulfill all requirements for a rotating part, the shaft and the bearings would probably become considerably overheated due to the high heat conductivity which, in turn, makes the cermets

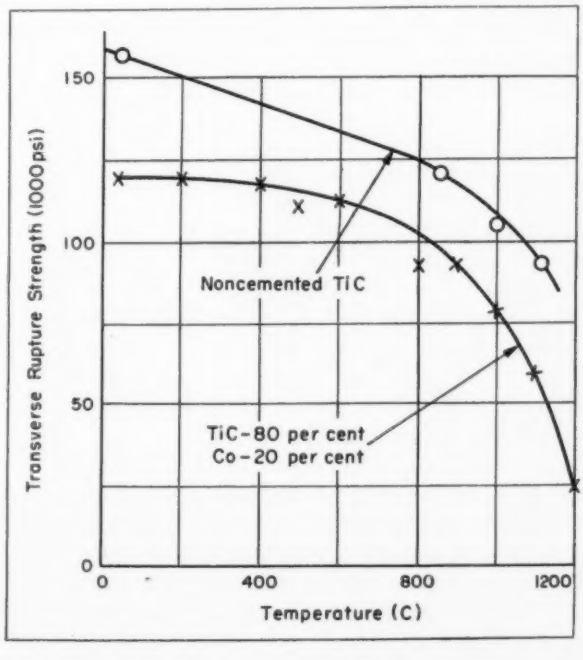

Fig. 2 — Curves of strength versus temperature for typical cermets

insensitive to heat shock.

The metallurgist is trying to come closer to the requirements of the present day designer with the development of materials with better impact resistance. On the other hand, the designer may have to change his thinking towards the use of more brittle materials, especially if he wants to push the temperature frontier beyond the 2000 F limit and into the range of 2400 F or still higher temperatures, which seem to be the goal for engines of the future.

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Electrospark Machining

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IN VERY recent years, a whole family of machining newcomers have been uncovered. These are the electromachining methods. Their exploitation has been largely occasioned by the need for new methods to handle the stubborn machining problems presented in the processing of sintered carbides and superalloys.

Electrospark machining utilizes the breakdown of a dielectric to initiate a spark discharge and does not require the tool or electrode to touch the work to achieve machining efficiency. In fact, if the tool does touch the work it is undesirable and slows down the machining action. It is evident that the mechanical assemblage need only be sturdy enough to support the tool and workpiece and permit necessary positioning to achieve the accuracy that is desired in the finished product. The electrospark process commonly uses brass as a tool.

Basic Process: Electrospark machining can best be investigated by examining the mechanics of the process to determine exactly what happens as material is removed from a workpiece. The earlier examples of equipment utilized in performing spark machining consist of a well regulated source of dc power connected through a charging circuit to a capacitor, *Fig. 1*. The terminals of the capacitor are connected directly to the tool and work. The work is submerged under a dielectric bath, usually a hydrocarbon, and the tool is caused to approach the work along a predetermined axis by a movement of the tool holder. In its simplest form this type of machine strongly resembles a drill press except for the dielectric tank at the base of the machine column. The polarity of the dc source is so selected that the tool is negative and the work positive.

In actual practice, utilizing this type of machine, the voltage of the dc source may vary from 75 to 400 volts. Normally the higher voltages are associated with a so-called roughing cut and voltages of the order of 100 volts are used when making a finishing cut. The value of the capacitor will also vary with the type of operation, the larger capacities being associated with a roughing cut and the smaller values with a finishing operation. The feed during the cutting operation is, of course, of prime importance and is usually accomplished through a servodrive. The servodrive often obtains its error information from the average voltage that occurs between the tool and the workpiece.

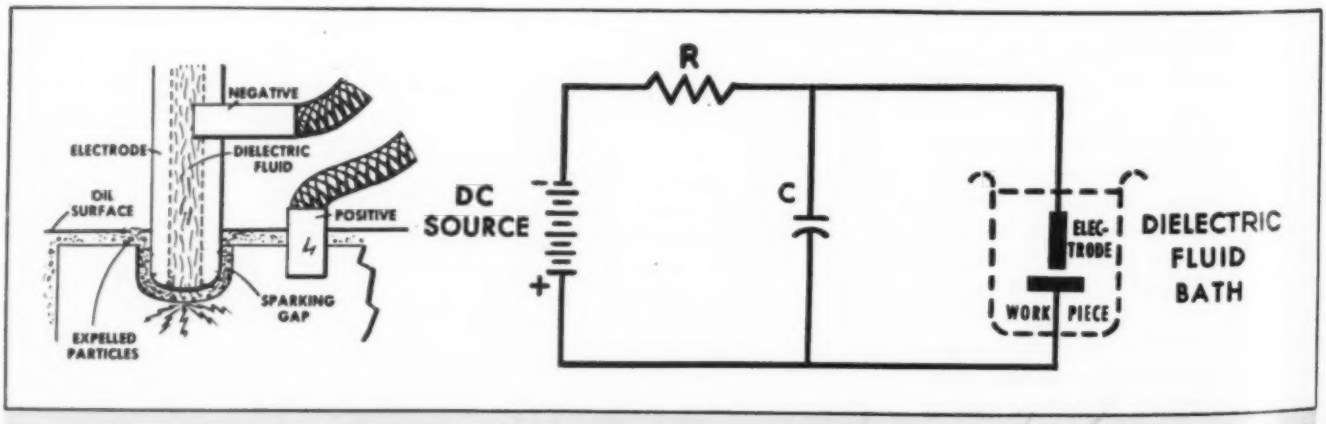

Fig. 1—Basic circuit diagram for an electrospark machine in which the charging circuit contains a capacitor whose terminals are connected directly to the tool and work. A shaped brass electrode bombards adjacent surfaces with controlled spark discharges, dislodging metal particles which are subsequently floated away by the dielectric fluid

If the circuitry is examined, it becomes apparent that the capacitor is utilized as an energy storage mechanism in which energy is stored over a relatively long period of time and is released in a period of short duration. If the charging circuit is purely resistive, the charging period is determined by the product of the values of the charging resistance and the energy storage of the capacitor. When the tool advances to that proximity to the workpiece that will allow the potential across the capacitor to cause ionization and disruptive breakdown of the dielectric, the condenser will discharge rapidly. Following the discharge of the capacitor, the dielectric will deionize and the condenser will charge from the source until the potential appearing across the condenser again ruptures the dielectric. This rupture potential is determined by the distance between electrode and workpiece. The high current densities that appear at the workpiece terminus of the ionized path produce resulting electrical force fields which act on the positive ions in the crystal lattice of the work. These forces result in the dislodgment of small particles of the material to be machined. Forces can be produced in excess of that required in the machining of any metal now available.

Recent Developments: Included in the many models of electrical power generating units now made are machines which utilize independently timed discharge systems, rather than the essentially relaxation machines of earlier development. In this category machines have been operated with discharge rates of up to 12,000 pulses per second, discharge currents of up to 50,000 amperes and average powers of 15 kilowatts. The acquisition of the information obtained in single discharge research was applied to the design of the cutting power generating unit, and components were selected that would provide a compromise between speed of cut and surface finish.

In electrospark machining, as in any other type machining operation, the removal of chips or displaced material that results from the machining presents a limitation to the speed with which an internal contour can be produced or a hole can be drilled. Repeated test cuts indicate that chip removal in an inside machining operation presents the greatest obstacle to increasing machining speed. Normally chip removal is accomplished by using the liquid dielectric as a vehicle. The dielectric is pumped through the area of the cut and in its passage it picks up the chips and carries them away. Even with this limitation, however, test machining using the electrospark method to produce internal shapes demonstrates rates of metal removal in sintered carbides that are multiples of the rates achieved by standard machining.

The independently timed discharge machines described above, in addition to their accelerated rate of metal removal, also utilize an energy storage system of the constant voltage type. Since the contour produced by an electrospark machine is a function of the potential that can be generated between the tool and the work, accurate control of this voltage makes it possible to repeat machining results within the limitations of the dimensional accuracy of the tool and the performance consistency of the mechanical unit which supports the tool and work.

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Tomorrow's Production Machines

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INCREASING output per man hour lies entirely in the hands of the production engineers and machine designers. They can put into effect new processes, product redesigns and production equipment that will assure greater output and thus solidify and improve our nation's economy.

The design of production machines of the future must be aimed toward the pushbutton factory if the ultimate in lowering of product cost is to be achieved. Production machines of the future will not be standard machines; to rely on standard types of machines would be to rest on antiquity. To produce parts at maximum efficiency a machine tool must be designed for its specific operation. And further, the process in which the machine tool is used may have to be altered to attain maximum productivity. This adds up to the fact that the process must be the best, the machine must produce at a maximum rate and the part must be designed to fit the process.

One factor that is a problem in the development of new production methods and machine tools is the time required to put a facility in operation once it is built. Completely automatic machines with radical new designs require longer tryout periods than standard types. This results because of the great amount of creative effort put into machine tools engineered to produce the ultimate in production on a given job.

Tomorrow's machine tool will be a completely integrated, high speed machine which will automatically pass parts from operation to operation, gage each part at each operation and change tools when power requirements indicate the need. It will be a mass of controls, wire and hydraulic lines. It will, however, be more compact, more foolproof and require less maintenance than many dare to envision.

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Following publication of the *Directory of Materials* in May, 1954, a number of companies have supplied information on their materials. This information has been compiled for easy reference in the same general system used in the *Directory*. Tradenamed* materials and information, groupings by type of materials, and company listings are included.

Tradenames and Information

A-H5 (Tool steel)—See *Bethlehem*

AMERICAN (Gray iron, semisteel and alloyed gray iron)—American Foundries Co., 330 Second St., Milan, Mich.

ASTM A48-48, Classes 20 through 50. ASTM A159-49T, Classes 110 to 114 for semi-steel and alloy gray iron. Base iron is Class 30. Castings from ounces to 15 tons. For automotive and agricultural equipment, trucks, valves, food machinery, scale equipment, machine tools, etc. Also special wear-resistant and flame-hardening irons.

AMMONODUCT (Pipe)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

For refrigeration.

ArmaSTEEL (Specially heat-treated malleable iron)—Central Foundry Div., Saginaw, Mich.

ASTM A-220. For wear resistance, selective hardened parts, high yield strength. Castings for automotive rocker arms, diesel pistons, universal joint yokes, Hydra-matic transmission gears, small engine crankshafts, turbine hubs, truck trolley wheels, crankshaft sprockets.

BEARCAT (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

BETHALLOY (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

BETHANIZED (Electrolytically zinc-coated wire)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

BETHCOLITE (Tin plate)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

BETHCON (Galvanized sheets) — Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

BETH-CO-WELD (Continuous butt-welded pipe)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

BETH-CU-LOY (Copper-bearing steel sheets)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

BETHLEHEM (Tool steels)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

Carbon Water Hardening: Four grades (X, XCL, XX, XXX) depending upon degree of refinement in processing and amount of inspection required by customer. Carbon tool steels with carbon contents from 0.75 to 1.35, in ten point increments, available overall analysis ranges are: X—0.75 to 1.10 C, 0.03 P max, 0.035 S max; XCL—0.80 to 1.20 C, 0.02 P max, 0.02 S max; XX—0.90 to 1.30 C, 0.02 P max, 0.02 S max; XXX—0.90 to 1.35 C, 0.015 P max, 0.015 S max. Available in rounds, squares, flats, octagons, hexagons, chamfered squares and billets.

Carbon Vanadium: Similar to straight carbon tool steels in all properties and applications, these steels have an addition of approximately 0.20 V which helps to maintain grain refinement during heat treatment. Furnished in four qualities—Best, Superior, XX plus Vanadium, and XXX plus Vanadium—depending upon degree of inspection and refinement in processing necessary to insure satisfactory service. Available with various carbon contents in ten point increments within following ranges: Best—0.75 to 1.10 C, 0.03 P max, 0.03 S max, 0.20 V; Superior—0.80 to 1.35 C, 0.02 P max, 0.02 S max, 0.20 V; XX—0.90 to 1.30 C, 0.02 P max, 0.02 S max, 0.20 V; XXX—0.90 to 1.35 C, 0.015 P max, 0.015 S max, 0.20 V. Furnished in rounds, squares, octagons, hexagons, flats and billets.

BTR: 0.90 C, 1.20 Mn, 0.50 Cr, 0.50 W, 0.20 V. Oil-hardening tool steel for all general-purpose tools and dies requiring a safe-hardening steel. Easy to machine, good wear resistance, high toughness, and low distortion in heat treatment. Available in rounds, squares, octagons, hexagons, flats, billets and hollow bars.

Bethalloy: 0.75 C, 0.75 Mn, 0.90 Cr, 1.75 Ni, 0.35 Mo. Oil-hardening tool steel for general-purpose tools and dies requiring more toughness than found in higher carbon types, but with some sacrifice in wear resistance. Because of oil-hardening characteristics and consequent low distortion in heat treatment, Bethalloy can sometimes replace the silico-manganese shock tool steels where minimum dimensional change is required. Available in rounds, squares, flats and billets.

Lehigh S: 2.05 C, 11.50 Cr, 0.60 V. Oil-hardening type of high-carbon, high-chrome tool steel with highest hardness of any of the tool and die grades. Some toughness is sacrificed. Excels in wear resistance and has fine resistance to distortion during heat treatment. Available in rounds, squares, octagons, flats and billets.

A-H5: 1.00 C, 0.60 Mn, 5.25 Cr, 1.10 Mo, 0.25 V. The 5 per cent chromium air-hardening type tool steel has less distortion in heat-treatment than oil-hardening types. Available in rounds, squares, octagons, flats and billets.

Lehigh H: 1.55 C, 11.50 Cr, 0.40 V, 0.80 Mo. Standard air-hardening, high-carbon, high-chromium steel. Combines minimum size change in heat treatment with high wear resistance and fair toughness. Available in rounds, squares, octagons, flats and billets.

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Lehigh L: 0.85 C, 11.50 Cr, 1.00 Ni, 0.45 Mo, 0.30 V. Low-carbon type of high-carbon, high-chromium tool steel. Low carbon content plus 1.00% nickel content gives this steel maximum toughness coupled with high abrasion resistance. Dimensional changes during heat treatment are very slight when proper practice is followed. Available in rounds, squares, flats and billets.

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HWS: 0.60 C, 3.60 Cr, 8.50 Mo, 1.75 V. A higher carbon, highly alloyed hot-work tool steel. Outstanding steel for applications involving high surface wear, with adequate toughness and resistance to heat checking. Available in rounds, squares, flats and billets.

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Greases: 44 grease is a heat-stable ball bearbearing grease serviceable from —40 to 400 F. Has over ten times the life of organic greases at high temperatures; makes possible permanent lubrication at normal temperatures. 33 grease is serviceable from —100 to 350 F. 41 grease is serviceable from —20 to 450 F and upward; used in conveyor bearings, oven machinery, and compressor valves. Also an effective antiseize for hold-down bolts, injection-mold nozzles and similar threaded parts on high-temperature equipment.

Release Agents: Dow Corning Mold Release Fluid, Dow Corning 20, 35B emulsion, 7 compound, and 7 emulsion are used effectively in various release applications in rubber, plastics, plywood, and metal-fabricating industries. Inert, heat-stable and noncarbonizing, these silicones provide a clean easy break between mold surface and parts fabricated, reduce scrap and minimize mold cleaning. Dow Corning 8 emulsion F-452 and F-496 fluid are emulsion type and solvent type parting agents, respectively, for the shell process of casting metals. Give positive release at minimum cost, improve surface finish of resin sand shells, and minimize pattern cleaning.

Resins: Dow Corning 802, 803, 804, 805, 806 and 840 are a series of silicone resin vehicles for high-temperature paints and enamels. Protective finishes formulated with these resins withstand long exposure to temperatures of 500 to 100 F. They show excellent gloss retention, freedom from chalking, exceptional resistance to moisture, oxidation and attack by chemical fumes. Modified silicone resins, including both air drying and baking types, are available for formulating protective coatings or for cold blending with organic paint vehicles to reduce chalking and to improve moisture resistance as well as gloss and color retention. Dow Corning R-543 and R-544 resin produce rigid, nonflammable, heat-stable, low density, foam structures for fire walls; thermal, electrical and acoustical insulation. Dow Corning 2103, 2104, 2105 and 2106 are bonding resins for making glass cloth laminates; 2103 and 2105 are primarily electrical insulating materials; 2104 and 2106 are low pressure laminating resins. Laminates made with various types glass cloth, bonded with these resins, possess characteristic properties which make them adaptable to a variety of applications including electrical and structural components.

Varnishes: Dow Corning 935 and 994 varnish are cloth coating materials for producing Class H electrical insulating components. Dow Corning 996 and 997 are heat-stable, dielectric, impregnating varnishes for Class H electrical and electronic equipment.

Rubber: Silastic, the Dow Corning silicone rubber, produced in over 70 different stocks and pastes; used to fabricate resilient gaskets, diaphragms, seals, and ducts which are resistant to heat, oxidation, weathering, and are serviceable over an unusually wide range of temperatures. Silastic has high thermal conductivity, excellent resistance to corona, and good physical and dielectric properties that remain relatively constant over a wide range of temperatures and frequencies. RTV Silastic cures at room temperature, provides new working form of these resilient

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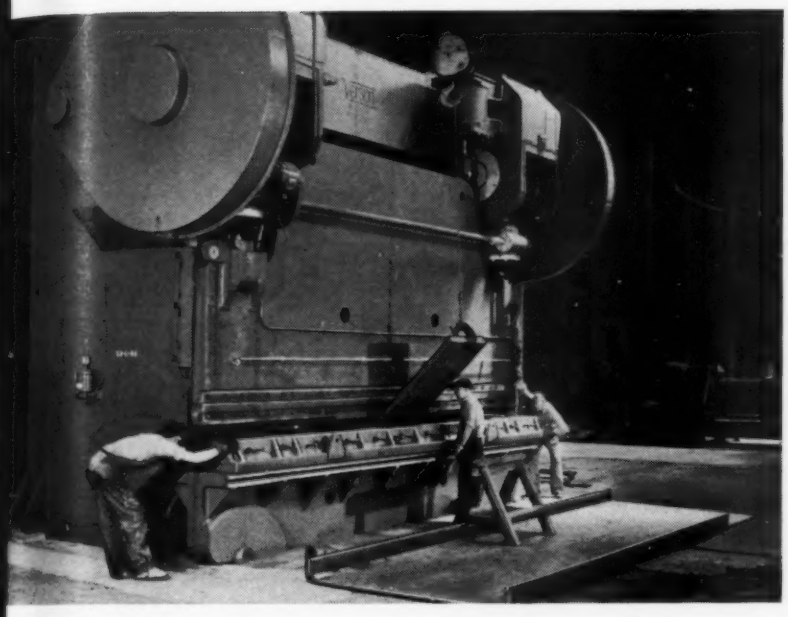

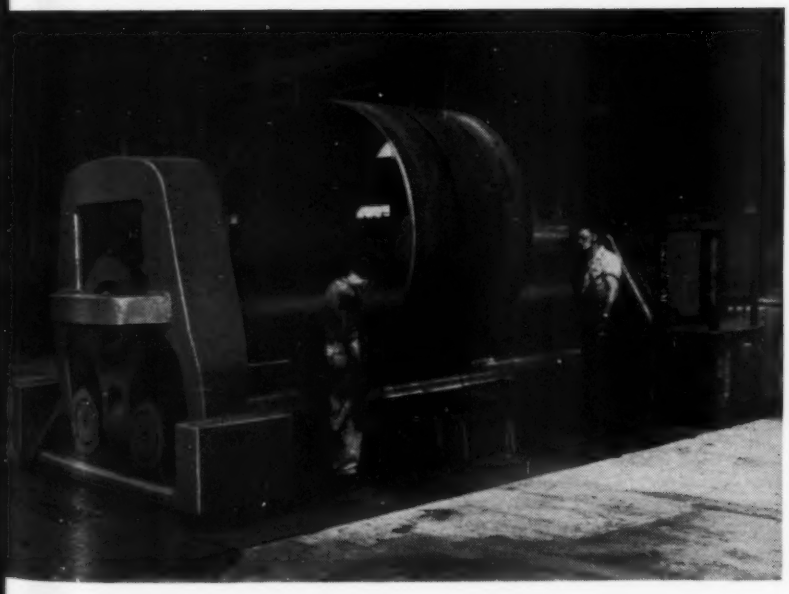

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DURAMOLD (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

EBONOL (Black oxide coatings) — Enthone Inc., 442 Elm St., New Haven 11, Conn. C for copper; Z and Z-80 for zinc; S and S-30 for ferrous metals.

ELECTRO PAINTLOK (Electrogalvanized, chemically treated sheets)—Republic Steel Corp., Republic Bldg., Cleveland 1, O.

ENDURO (Stainless steel)—see *Republic Enduro*

ENTHONE COMPOUND 39 (Phosphate coating)—Enthone Inc., 442 Elm St., New Haven 11, Conn.

ENTHOX (Chromate conversion coating)—Enthone Inc., 442 Elm St., New Haven 11, Conn.

FORM-SET (Preformed wire rope)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

GRC (Small zinc-alloy die castings)—Gries Reproducer Corp., 32 Second St., New Rochelle, N. Y.

Small zinc alloy die castings up to ½-oz.

GRIES (Small zinc-alloy die castings)—Gries Reproducer Corp., 32 Second St., New Rochelle, N. Y.

Small zinc alloy die castings up to ½-oz.

HITCHINER (Precision investment castings)—Hitchiner Mfg. Co. Inc., Milford, N. H.

Investment cast ferrous and nonferrous alloys. Cast steel (carbon and alloy), cast high alloys and stainless steels. Aluminum, copper, magnesium and nickel base. Precious metals.

HMHS (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

66 HS (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

HW8 (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

57 HW (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

INTERCAST (Small zinc-alloy die castings)—Gries Reproducer Corp., 32 Second St., New Rochelle, N. Y.

Small zinc alloy movable-element die castings produced assembled in one operation; up to ½-oz.

KLERO (Noncontaminating packing) — see *Palmetto*

LEHIGH (Tool steels)—see *Bethlehem*

M-10 (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

MAYARI (Bolt steel)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

For engine bolts and staybolts.

MAYARI R (Low-alloy, high strength steel)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

High resistance to atmospheric corrosion, abrasion and impact.

MILANITE (Machinable alloy cast iron)—American Foundries Co., 330 Second St., Milan, Mich.

Readily machinable alloy cast iron with ts (specimens from ⅞-in. diam cast bars), 40,000 psi; hardness, 179-207 bhn.

MYLAR (Polyester plastic film)—E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. Inc., Film Dept., Wilmington 98, Del.

Durable, water-repellent and chemically resistant film having high dielectric resistant film having high dielectric strength. High tensile and impact strength. Remains flexible and stable from —60 to 150 C. Applications include dielectric in capacitors, tape insulation for motors and generators, magnet wire insulation, transformer-coil insulation, magnetic recording tape base, linings, pipe wrapping, laminated materials, etc. Available in three types as follows:

A. Low fault-count (measure of pinholes or spots of dielectric weakness) for general use as insulation and dielectric material. Thin gages (25, 50, 100) have good transparency; heavier gages (500, 750) are translucent. Rolls and cut-to-size sheets.

C. Low fault count and good high-temperature and insulation resistance. Primarily for use as dielectric in high-temperature capacitors. Rolls only.

D. Highly transparent film in heavy gages. Rolls only.

NEILLITE (Phenolic plastic molding compound)—Watertown Mfg. Co., Watertown, Conn.

Phenol-formaldehyde molding powder. For electrical switches, control handles, terminal blocks, panels, etc.

NON-TEMPERING (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

OMEGA (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

PAGE & HALL (Short-run zinc die castings)—Page & Hall Mfg. Co. Inc., 1600 Hyde Park Ave., Boston 36, Mass.

Short-run die castings of Zamak alloys 3 and 5

PAINTGRIP (Cold-rolled steel)—Armco Steel Corp., 703 Curtiss St., Middletown, O.

Steel sheets or strip flashed with zinc and mill-treated for immediate painting.

PALCO (Plaited cotton packing)—see *Palmetto*

PALMETTO (Packings and gaskets)—Greene, Tweed & Co., North Wales, Pa.

NONMETALLIC PACKINGS as follows:

Braided No. 1000: general service on air, steam and water.

Twist No. 1010: valve stems, small shafts and rods on air, steam, water.

Plaited No. 1030: centrifugal pumps on air, steam, water.

Pelro No. 1100: oil, gasoline and solvent service.

Cutno No. 1200: alkali and caustic soda service.

Super Cutno No. 1300: acid-handling pumps and valves.

Teflon No. 1330: braided Teflon-impregnated blue asbestos for highly corrosive fluids or solvents on valves and slow-rotating shafts.

Teflon No. 1335: plaited, soft-construction, Teflon-impregnated blue asbestos for highly corrosive fluids or solvents on valves and slow-rotating shafts.

Teflon No. 1335: plaited, soft-construction, Teflon-impregnated blue asbestos for centrifugal pumps.

Klero No. 1400: plaited for noncontaminating pump service handling foodstuffs, milk, beer, soft drinks, etc.

Flax No. 1600: plaited long-line flax for general cold water, oil hydraulics and marine services.

Palco No. 1800: plaited cotton packing for water service, sewage, slurry and sludge pumps.

SHEET PACKINGS as follows:

Supersheet No. 2900: compressed asbestos for general service on flanges. Exceeds MIL-A-7472, 33-P-13 and HH-P-46 specifications.

No. 2910: compressed asbestos for oil, gasoline, petroleum-solvent and alkali services. AMS-3232 F.

No. 2915: compressed asbestos for aeronautical use in fuel, lubricant, coolant and temperature-resistant applications. MIL-G-7021, Class 1 (formerly AN-G-171, Class 1).

No. 2970: blue compressed asbestos for most acids in dilute and concentrated forms.

No. 2930: high-grade red rubber for flange and joint packing in low-pressure and other general services.

No. 2960: Vegetable fiber for petroleum, oil, gas at normal temperatures and pressures, and for automotive gaskets. MIL-P-20085.

RUBBER-MOLDED SEALS: V-packings, cups, V-rings and flange packings, molded in fabric and rubber (or synthetic) compositions. Palmetto G-T ring packing, O-rings, molded-rubber gaskets and other special-design precision-molded seals.

PELRO (Nonmetallic packing)—see *Palmetto*

PENNROLD (Beryllium copper)—Penn Precision Products Inc., 501 Crescent Ave., Reading, Pa.

10: 0.5 Be, 2.5 Co, bal. Cu. High electrical and thermal conductivity, good strength and hardness, nonmagnetic, excellent resistance to corrosion, fatigue and wear. Strip (0.001 to 0.040-in.) available heat treatable or heat treated. For contacts, springs, switch parts, etc.

25: 1.9 Be, 0.3 Co, bal Cu. ASTM B194; AMS 4530, 4532; MIL-C-947, MIL-C-6942, Federal QQ-C-533. High strength and hardness, good electrical and thermal conductivity, nonmagnetic, excellent resistance to corrosion, fatigue and wear. Strip (0.001 to 0.040-in.) available in heat treatable condition. For springs, bellows, diaphragms, contacts, instrument parts, connectors, terminals, etc.

PENNROLD PRECISION STRIP (Copper alloys)—Penn Precision Products Inc., 501 Crescent Ave., Reading, Pa.

Copper, brass, phosphor bronze, nickel silver, beryllium copper, etc. Available as thin-gage, close-tolerance strip in thicknesses from 0.001 to 0.032-in. and widths from ⅛ to 6 in. For springs, contacts, shims, terminals, diaphragms, precision instruments and electronics parts, etc.

PENNTEMP (Beryllium copper)—Penn Precision Products Inc., 501 Crescent Ave., Reading, Pa.

165: 1.7 Be, 0.3 Co, bal Cu. Mill-hardened strip offering excellent strength, hardness, conductivity and corrosion resistance. Available in strip form (0.001 to 0.025-in.) requiring no heat treatment. For springs, contacts, connectors, terminals, electronics parts, etc.

PURE (Carbon products)—Pure Carbon Co. Inc., St. Marys, Pa.

Carbon, graphite, metal-graphite and metallic brushes; slip-ring brushes; special carbon forms and products; carbon electrodes for welding; contacts (electric circuit, contactors, ignition points, etc.); carbon and graphite molds; carbon and graphite plates in all grades and thicknesses for motor and generator brushes.

PUREBON (Carbon products)—Pure Carbon Co. Inc., St. Marys, Pa.

Graphite bearings; self-lubricating (carbon) and aircraft (carbon) bearings; ring packing (carbon for turbine packing rings, thrust bearings, etc.); sealing rings; carbon seals; oil, grease and dust seals.

PUREMET (Powdered metal products)—Pure Carbon Co. Inc., St. Marys, Pa.

Powdered metal parts; oilless or self-lubricating bearings; thrust, oil-bath type bearings.

PURPLE STRAND (Wire rope)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

PYRON (Flame-hardenable alloy gray iron)—American Foundries Co., 330 Second St., Milan, Mich.

Alloy gray cast iron specifically for flame or induction hardening. Can be machined to finish-grind dimension, then flame hardened. Hardness, as cast, 200-250 bhn (300 kg load, 10-mm ball). Optimum hardness, 50 Rock C. For gears, cams, sprockets, rollers, plungers, sheaves, machine-tool ways, dies, etc.

RAYDUCT (Pipe)—Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

For radiant heating and fabricating purposes.

RED SABRE (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

REPUBLIC (Alloy steels) — Republic Steel Corp., Alloy Steel Div., Massillon, O.

REPUBLIC (Steels) — Republic Steel Corp., Republic Bldg., Cleveland 1, O.

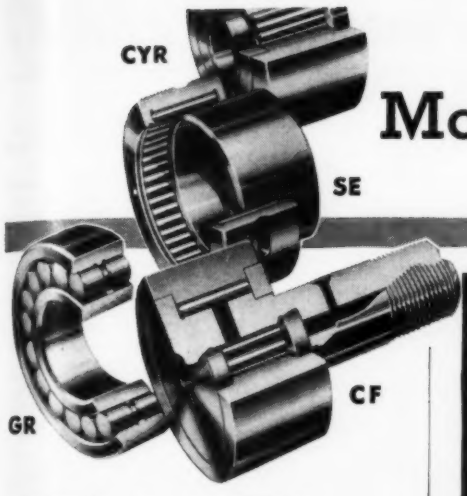
Carbon, alloy and stainless steels. Semi-finished, hot-rolled and cold-drawn bars, sheets, strip, wire; pig iron; tin plate; pipe. Electrical sheets and coiled silicon strip. Copper steel. High-strength steels. Toncan copper-molybdenum iron. Galvannealed sheets. Electro Paintlok sheets. Electro Zincbond sheets. Powder metals.

REPUBLIC (Titanium)—Republic Steel Corp., Alloy Steel Div., Massillon, O.

RS-55: Commercially pure titanium. Min ys, 65,000 psi. Min ts, 65,000 psi. Min elong, 20%. High-ductility grade produced in sheet, plate, bar, billet and wire forms. Normal annealed structure is equiaxed alpha. Shows no response to heat treatment.

RS-70: Commercially pure titanium. Min ys, 70,000 psi. Min ts, 80,000 psi. Min elong, 18%. Produced in sheet, plate, bar, billet and wire. Normal annealed structure equiaxed alpha. Shows no response to heat treatment.

RS-70-A: Similar to RS-70 except 1.25 max



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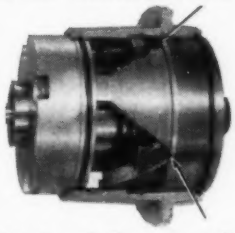
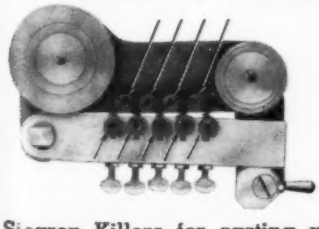
MULTIROL CF BEARINGS PROVIDE POSITIVE CAM ACTION IN ANCHOR CUT-OUT

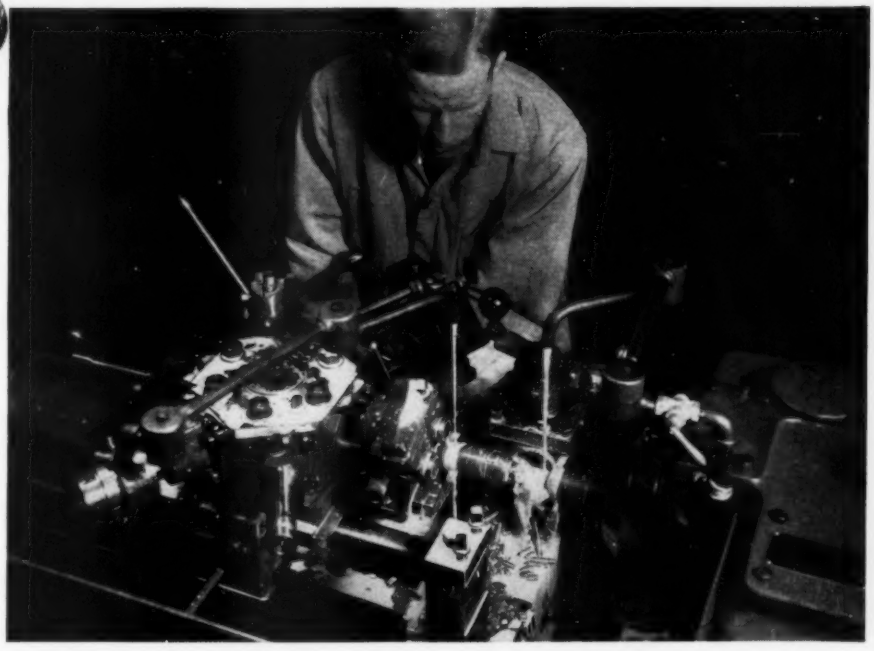


Anchor Steel and Conveyor Company relies on Multirol Cam Follower Bearings for positive and instant operation of Anchor cut-out couplings. When dangerous overload occurs this torque sensitive coupling cuts power when a spring loaded sliding sleeve is actuated by forcing CF series bearings up the inclined faces of a circular cam. Shock load capacity and dependability of CF series bearings combine to help the Anchor Company protect motors and machinery from damage due to overload.

SJOGREN KILLERS CAST WIRE ON MULTIROL CF BEARINGS



On Sjogren Killers for casting wire, Multirol CF bearings with outer races grooved to required wire size have replaced hardened steel rollers. Sjogren maintained required accuracy at much higher casting speeds with minimum of grease instead of objectionable oil lubrication.



Warner & Swasey Uses MULTIROL® CF Bearings as

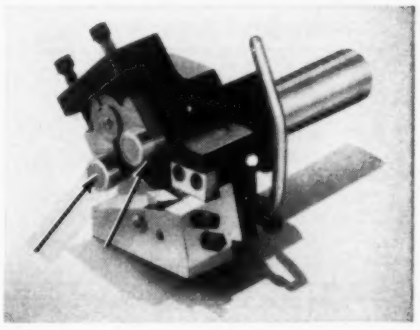
STEADY REST ROLLERS ON TURRET LATHES

The precision turning done on Warner & Swasey Turret Lathes depends to a great extent on providing adequate, accurate and free turning support for the work in process. The pressure of the cutting tool must be backed up on the end opposite the chuck so that depth of cut and concentricity remains constant.

This support is provided with tool holders using two Multirol Cam Follower bearings as steady rest or bar turning rollers. The precision quality of these rolls is very important to efficient operation. Free turning rolls of adequate capacity will assure work with a smooth finish and a high degree of accuracy.

Warner & Swasey have been using Multirol CF Series bearings in this application for over 15 years. They adopted the McGill bearing after finding its precision quality, resulting from close radial tolerances, ideal to help insure superior lathe performance.

The outer ring of Multirol CF Bearings operates on a full complement of small diameter rollers so the load is



evenly distributed over a greater bearing surface. The inner race and flange are made in a single piece with the stud, preventing any possibility of disassembly. Close tolerance grinding of all bearing surfaces insures greater accuracy throughout longer bearing life and, compared with plain bearings, lubrication is simplified and less critical. Both starting and rolling friction are reduced to a minimum. As a result, internal wear is diminished and power requirements of Multirol bearing equipped machines are cut appreciably.

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Mn is added during melting. Mn may enhance formability at 70,000 psi yield range without sacrificing other characteristics of RS-70.

RS-110: Bar and forging alloy containing about 3.5 Cr and 1.5 Fe with low residuals of O and N. Min ys, 110,000 psi. Min ts, 120,000 psi. Min elong, 12%.

RS-110-A: High-strength, ductile alloy contains nominal 7 Mn; primarily a sheet alloy. Normal annealed structure equiaxed alpha and beta grains. Heat treatable. Min ys, 110,000 psi. Min ts, 120,000 psi. Min elong, 10%.

RS-130: High-strength bar and forging alloy with nominal composition of 4 Mn and 4 Al. Normal microstructure equal amounts of alpha and beta phases. Min ys, 130,000 psi. Min ts, 140,000 psi. Min elong, 10%.

REPUBLIC DOUBLE STRENGTH (High-strength steel)—Republic Steel Corp., Republic Bldg., Cleveland 1, O.

REPUBLIC ENDURO (Stainless steel)—Republic Steel Corp., Alloy Steel Div., Massillon, O.

Also stainless clad sheets

SABECO (Bearing bronzes)—Saginaw Bearing Co., 821 S. Water St., Saginaw, Mich.

High-lead bearing bronzes, available as bar stock, castings and finished machined parts. Compositions and applications as follows:

No. 5: 69-71 Cu, 4.5-5.5 Sn, 24-26 Pb, 0.2 max impurities. For light or medium-load and water-lubricated bearings.

No. 7: For connecting rods in refrigerating compressors and gasoline engines.

No. 9: 69-71 Cu, 8.5-9.5 Sn, 20-22 Pb, 0.2 max impurities. For heavy loads such as average machine-tool requirements.

No. 11: 69-71 Cu, 10.5-11.5 Sn, 18-20 Pb, 0.2 max impurities. For worm wheels, clutch shifter shoes, forging machine slides, and extreme heavy bearing conditions.

No. 16: 69-71 Cu, 15-16.5 Sn, 13.5-14.5 Pb, 0.2 max impurities. For friction rings, and heavy-duty boring spindle bearings.

SILASTIC (Silicone rubber)—see *Dow Corning*

SILVER STAR (Spring wire) — Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

57 SPECIAL (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

SPECIAL HS (Tool steel)—see *Bethlehem*

SUPERSHEAT (Compressed-asbestos sheet packing)—see *Palmetto*

TONCAN (Rust-resisting copper-molybdenum iron) — Republic Steel Corp., Republic Bldg., Cleveland 1, O.

TRAN-COR (Electrical steels)—Armco Steel Corp., 703 Curtiss St., Middletown, O.

T. Insulated iron-silicon alloy. High permeability; low hysteresis loss; high lamination factor; minimum interlamination energy loss; unoriented. Coils up to 12¾ in. wide weighing approximately 1000 lb; 0.005 and 0.007-in. thick. Magnetic amplifier cores, plate and filament transformer laminations are typical uses.

Oriented T. Insulated iron-silicon alloy. High permeability oriented in direction of rolling; low hysteresis loss; high lamination factor; minimum interlamination losses. Coils up to 12¾ in. wide; 0.004-in. thick coils weigh approximately 1000 lb; 0.002-in. thick coils weigh approximately 500 lb; 0.001-in. thick coils weigh approximately 300 lb. No strip less than 100 ft long. Magnetic amplifier cores, pulse transformer laminations are typical uses.

Oriented T-S. Insulated iron-silicon alloy. Extra-high permeability in rolling direction; low hysteresis loss; high lamination factor; minimum interlamination energy loss. Coils up to 12¾ in. wide; no strip less than 100 feet; 0.004-in. thick coils weigh approximately 300 lb. High cycle motor laminations, magnetic amplifier cores are typical applications.

UNION (Cold-drawn steels)—Republic Steel Corp., Union Drawn Steel Div., Massillon, O.

Also see *Republic*

WALLINGFORD (Steel tubing, pipe and strip)—Wallingford Steel Co., Wallingford, Conn.

Stainless-steel tubes and pipe; stainless and carbon steel cold-rolled strip; extruded shapes. Standard analyses include AISI 302, 304 ELC, 309, 310, 316 ELC, 316 Cb, 317, 321, 347 and 430. Special steels available.

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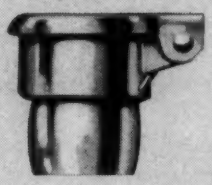
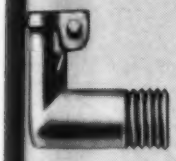


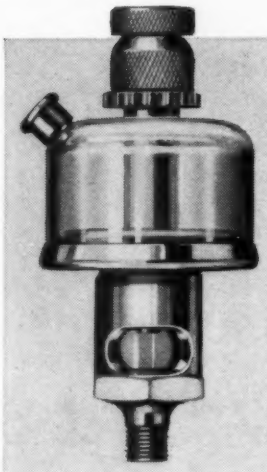
OIL HOLE COVERS

This model is designed to fit into a simple drilled hole. Ideal for use on small motors, generators, starters and light machinery—for dependable oil hole protection at moderate cost. Larger sizes frequently used as filler caps on tanks or reservoirs. Style R—No. 305.



OIL CUPS

ccurately machined from a id brass one-piece forging, s oil cup permits safe, de- ndable application of lubri- t at very low cost. Used idely on motors and small ma- inery requiring side oiling. yle L—No. 1202.



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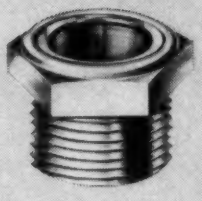

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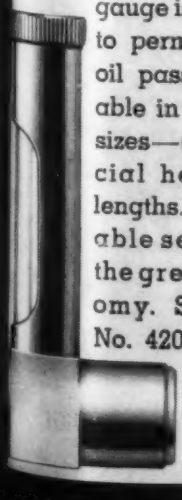

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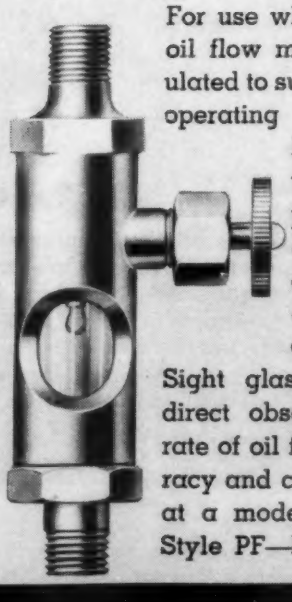

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Central Foundry Div., Saginaw, Mich.
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Republic Steel Corp., Republic Bldg., Cleveland 1, O.
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Cold-drawn steels—UNION

Saginaw Bearing Co., 821 S. Water St., Saginaw, Mich.
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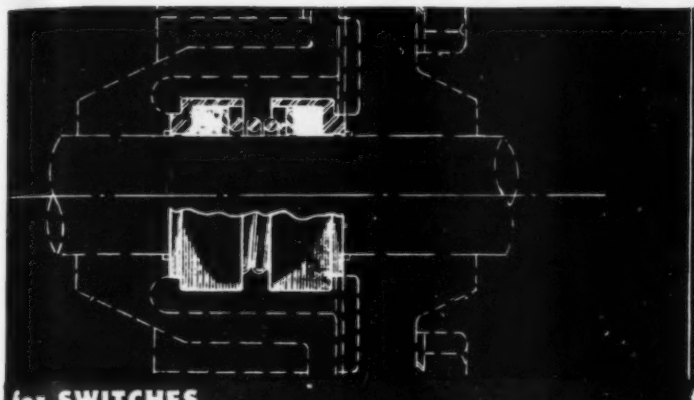

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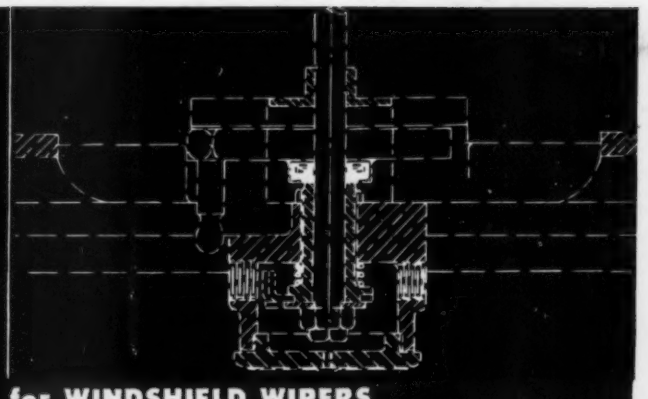

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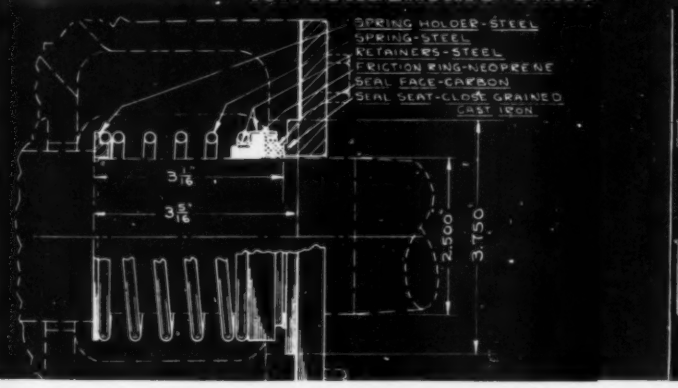

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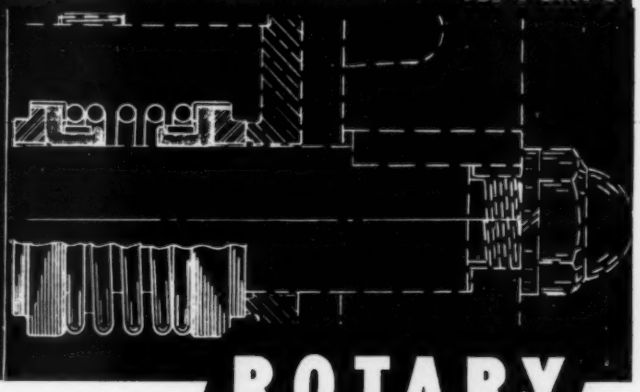

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modern electronics for military and industrial instruments. Complete list of tools and equipment is given.

35. Switches For Industry

Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Micro Switch Div.—20-page catalog 101 entitled "Switches for Industry" covers 22 families of switches, describing 258 different switch units, actuators and enclosures. Dimensional photos, characteristics, electrical ratings and technical data are offered to aid designer in switch selection.

36. Solder & Its Usage

Kester Solder Co.—"Solder . . . Its Fundamentals and Usage" is title of 80-page treatise written and compiled by C. L. Barber, company research director. Book will provide solder user with a scientific study of the industrial application and usage of solder. Charts, tables and photos are included.

37. Hydraulic Cylinders

Lynair Inc.—Dimensional drawings on foot mount, pivot mount, front and rear flange mount, front and rear trunnion mount and side mount series H-10 hydraulic cylinders are provided in 10-page loose-leaf booklet. Nonrotating, cushioned and noncushioned models for operating pressures to 1000 psi are covered.

38. Thin Section Bearings

Kaydon Engineering Corp.—Reali-Slim bearings, including units with ¼-in. cross sections, ¼-in. width and up to 12 in. ID are described in 24-page engineering catalog 54. Listings cover units up to 1-in. cross section width and up to 40-in. ID. A section is devoted to bearings with thin flanges for mounting directly to adjoining structures.

39. Shaft Mounted Drives

Falk Corp.—Complete information, including design data, selection tables, dimensions, weights and installation photos, is given on shaft mounted gear drives in 8-page bulletin 7101. Drives are intended for machines requiring input speeds between 420 and 10 rpm in range between ½ and 30 hp.

40. Weldments

Graver Tank & Mfg. Co.—Illustrations presented in 16-page brochure on "Graver Weldments" depicts the design and range flexibility of company's facilities. Weldments are pictured for such industries as diesel engine, primary metal, mining and construction, metalworking and electrical and power machinery. Alloy work is covered as well.

41. Alemite Measuring Fittings

Stewart-Warner Corp., Alemite Div.—"Ask Anyone in Industry" is title of 24-page pocket-size booklet, which in fast-paced comic cartooning style, points up advantages of Alemite Accumeter measuring lubrication fittings. Fittings when properly installed accurately measure lubricant into each bearing according to its requirements.

42. Power Screwdrivers

Detroit Power Screwdriver Co.—Three models of power screwdrivers, including bench and pedestal types, are described and illustrated in 40-page brochure. Fixtures for nesting assemblies, motorized screw-feeding hoppers made in six diameters from 8 to 30 in., nut driving and special assembling machines are covered as well. Machines drive standard machine, wood, sheet metal and self-tapping screws with round, flat, binder, fillister or hex heads.

43. Crepe Paper Packaging

Cincinnati Industries Inc.—Stretchable, pliable X-Crepe which can be used like cloth, used instead of rubber or in place of cork is described in 4-page folder with sample sheet. This crepe paper product can be formed, creased, coated, saturated, sewn or taped, imprinted, slit and die-cut, glued or cemented, waterproofed and indented or embossed.

44. Roller Chain & Sprockets

Dodge Mfg. Co.—Technical data, prices and design information on Taper-Lock sprockets and companion roller chain are contained in 4-page illustrated bulletin A-632. Interchangeability of Taper-Lock sprockets for various shaft sizes, ease of installation without keying or reboring, and off-the-shelf availability of complete size range are discussed. Tables list complete specifications.

45. Investment Casting

W. H. Anderson Co., Mfg. Div.—Cost saving advantages of "Anderson Investment Casting" are pointed up in 4-page folder. System is described and illustrated in 9 steps.

46. Hydraulic Control Valves

Parker Appliance Co.—10-page illustrated catalog file No. 1551A presents dimensional data and outlines features of 1, 2, 3 and 4-spool models of hydraulic control valves with capacities of 8 to 35 gpm. Designed for mobile equipment applications, these valves are usable on pressures up to 2000 psi.

47. Cold-Headed Parts & Fasteners

National Screw & Mfg. Co.—Typical special products and fasteners produced to user's specifications by modern cold-heading techniques are subject of 16-page illustrated booklet 6-54. Parts shown include diesel engine push rod, flattened ball collar stud, round collar thumb screw, welding fasteners and leveling or adjusting screws. Complete engineering and production service is offered.

48. Battery & Test Clips

Mueller Electric Co.—8-page illustrated catalog No. 150 deals with Universal line of battery and test clips, clip insulators and other related products for the electronic, electrical and automotive industries. Solid copper and steel clips with capacities up to 300 amp are described in detail.

49. Hard-Facing Data

Mir-O-Col Alloy Co.—Listing the characteristics of various hard-facing electrodes and rods produced by 29 manufacturers, comprehensive comparison chart aids in selection of proper alloy for any application. Individual hardness ratings as deposited and work hardened or heat treated are tabulated.

50. Pilot Bearing Bushing

Donley Products, Inc., J. G. Jergens Div.—8-page illustrated bulletin "Live Pilot Bearing Bushings" explains how these machine tool accessories provide seal against coolants and dust, permit optimum use of carbide tools and pilot heavy loads accurately. Data are included on needle bearing pilot bushings and live centers also.

51. Diaphragm Valve

Maurice A. Knight—Acids, solvents and alkalies do not affect the Permanite diaphragm valve which is available in 1 to 3-in. sizes for pressures of 150 to 65 psi, respectively. Recommended maximum operating temperature is 180° F. Full details are given in 2-page bulletin 15.

52. Light Conveyor Belts

B. F. Goodrich Co., Industrial Products Div.—Performance and application data for line of Koroseal light conveyor belts for food handling and light industrial use are given in 4-page catalog 2640. Belts are easy to clean, resist acids and grease and withstand temperatures up to 150° F.

53. DC Power Supplies

Dressen-Barnes Corp.—Model 3-150-L low cost power supply, model D3-300E Super Precision power supply, models T-100-B and T-100-D transistor power supplies and closely-regulated development and research power supplies are subjects of four illustrated data bulletins. Capacities range up to 1000 v dc and 500 ma.

54. Torque Converter Coolers

Young Radiator Co.—Designed expressly for torque converter cooling applications, Young units are engineered for any mobile or stationary application in range of 100 to 600 hp. Oil-to-air and oil-to-water type coolers are available for cooling of power equipment using hydraulic or hydraulic mechanically-clutched transmissions. Illustrated 8-page catalog 1054 tells all.

55. Worm Gear Speed Reducers

Winsmith, Inc.—Dimensions and specifications of the C line of Winsmith worm gear speed reducers are given in illustrated bulletin HW 654. Right and left hand as well as vertical models are available in five sizes to cover the 1/100 to 5-hp range.

56. Stock Forgings

Cleveland Hardware & Forging Co.—40-page illustrated catalog 19A contains complete information on line of stock industrial and automotive forgings. Types covered include forged levers, rod ends, yokes, eye bolts, hooks and truck and body hardware. Facilities of company to produce parts to user's specifications are described.

57. Recording Oscillograph

Consolidated Engineering Corp.—12-page illustrated manual CEC-1521A deals with the type 5-116 recording oscillograph which was developed to provide the dynamic test-measurement field with a compact, accurate reliable instrument. Features include daylight-loading magazines, record speed range of ¼ to 100 in./sec, 0-300 cps galvanometers, 0.1 and 0.01-second timing lines, automatic record numbering and choice of ac or dc models.

58. Hot Extruded Alloys

Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp.—New hot extruded shapes offered in stainless, tool steels, high temperature alloys and other steels are subject of 4-page bulletin "Hot Extrusions." Advantages of these extrusions include close tolerances, minimized scrap and adaptability to small quantity production.

59. Electric Motors & Drives

U. S. Electric Motors Inc. — Uniclosed, totally enclosed, explosionproof with and without fan, Varidrive, Synchrogear, combination variable speed and internally geared, right angle worm gear, Verticlosed Hollowshaft, vertical solid shaft, test stand and aircraft electric motors are some of the 20 principal types of improved U. S. motors that are described in detail in comprehensive electric motor catalog entitled "Life - Lengthened Power."

60. Wire Handles

E. H. Titchener & Co.—"Wire Handles by Titchener" is title of 20-page illustrated guide to aid in the selection and application of 73 different styles and types of standard handles and clips. Included is handy wire size chart which shows actual diameters of standard wire gages. Basic information is given regarding the design of special handles.

61. Split Ball Bearings

Split Ballbearing Corp.—20-page illustrated catalog No. 54 gives load and speed ratings, design data, dimensions and application information on line of split ball bearings. Easily installed because of split design, bearings are available in single and double row thin bushing, heavy duty pillow block, heavy duty ball and roller, and thin section instrument styles.

62. Sheet Metal Fasteners

Speed Stud Corp.—Details of Speed Stud spring steel sheet metal fasteners which speed assembly of fabricated metal products are shown in 1-page data sheet. These one-piece blind type fasteners are reported to have holding power of ¼-in. solid fastener. Inserted easily in hole with simple tool, they hold sheets together securely.

63. Wiring Clamps & Brackets

Thomas Associates—More than 40,000 types and sizes of bare metal and cushioned or insulated line support clamps, wire harness clamps and multiple support clamps are detailed in 68-page engineering manual No. 201G. Related items described include brackets, busbars and laminated anchor nut or reinforcing shims. Index simplifies use of manual.

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Style	Over-all length	Diameter	*Watts	††Watts
RW-29	1-3/4"	1/2"	8	11
RW-30	1"	19/32"	8	11
RW-31	1-1/2"	19/32"	10	14
RW-32	2"	19/32"	12	17
RW-33	3"	19/32"	18	26
RW-34	3"	29/32"	30	43
RW-35	4"	29/32"	38	55
RW-36	4"	1-5/16"	60	87
RW-37	6"	1-5/16"	78	113
RW-38	8"	1-5/16"	110	159
RW-47	10-1/2"	1-5/16"	145	210

FERRULE-TERMINAL TYPE
Characteristics G, F, and V

Style	Over-all length	Diameter	*Watts	††Watts
RW-10	11-7/16"	1-5/16"	140	203
RW-11	9-5/8"	1-5/16"	116	168
RW-12	7-7/16"	1-5/16"	86	125
RW-13	5-1/8"	1-1/16"	50	72
RW-14	4-7/16"	1-1/16"	40	58
RW-15	2-15/16"	3/4"	20	29
RW-16	2-3/8"	3/4"	14	20

FLAT TAB-TERMINAL TYPE
Stack Mounting
Characteristic G

Style	Over-all length	Width of Core	Thickness of Core	†Watts
RW-20	2-1/2"	1-3/16"	1/4"	15
RW-21	3-1/4"	1-3/16"	1/4"	22
RW-22	4-3/4"	1-3/16"	1/4"	37
RW-23	6"	1-3/16"	1/4"	47
RW-24	7-1/4"	1-3/16"	1/4"	63

AXIAL-TERMINAL TYPE
Characteristics G and V

Style	Length of Core**	Diameter	†Watts	††Watts
RW-55	1-3/8"	5/8"	5	7
RW-56	2"	5/8"	10	14

*Watts free air MIL Characteristic "F" or "G" **2-1/2" wire leads
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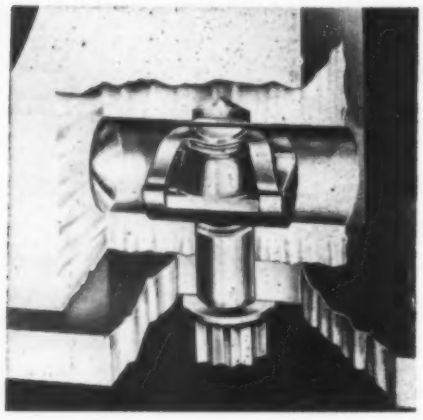

by a Rollpin self-locking pin. Complete nut assembly will move freely in the direction of the hole drilled for the nut and can move perpendicular to axis of hole 0.03-in. in either direction to compensate for any misalignment. Nut retaining clip holds unit in proper position, and the top of the clip seats automatically in the drill point of the bolt hole. Self-locking action and reuseability are made possible by integral nylon collar in the barrel nut. Nut is available in eight thread sizes from ¼-28 through ¾-16. Made by **Elastic Stop Nut Corp. of America,** 2330 Vauxhall Rd., Union, N. J.

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Pressure Switches

Compact pressure and vacuum switches cover the range from 30 in. of mercury proof vacuum to 150 psi pressure, sensing increasing or decreasing vacuum or pressure. Switches repeat within ±1 per cent of setting. Enclosed in an explosionproof housing, they are Underwriters' approved for hazardous locations where vapors of ethyl, ether, gasoline, alcohol, acetone, petroleum, naphtha and lacquer solvents, as well as natural gas or grain dust are present. Standard models are available for single or dual settings. The latter will secure two different pressure limits and actuate two electrically independent circuits, one ac and the other dc if desired. Units are automatically reset by snap action. Made by **Barksdale Valves,** 5125 Alcoa Ave., Los Angeles 58, Calif.

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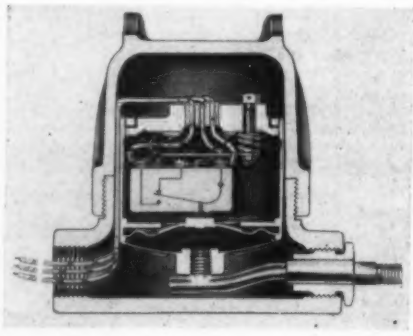
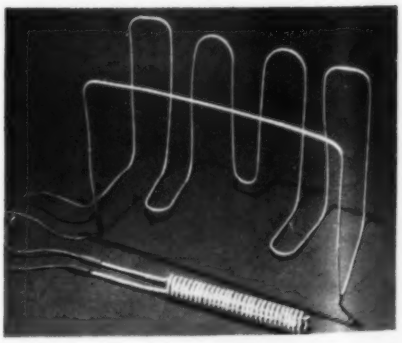


Heating Units

Single, low-watt density Corox heaters can be formed into shapes and sizes to effectively heat almost any surface or enclosure. They are available in continuous lengths up to 25 ft and as small as 0.23-in. OD. Neoprene covered lead wires are attached to the heater terminals and sealed under pressure to provide a positive moisture seal and mechanical



strength. Materials used in fabrication of heaters include copper, steel, aluminum, Incaloy and Inconel, as well as other alloy tubings. Made by **Westinghouse Electric Corp.,** P. O. Box 2099, Pittsburgh 30, Pa.

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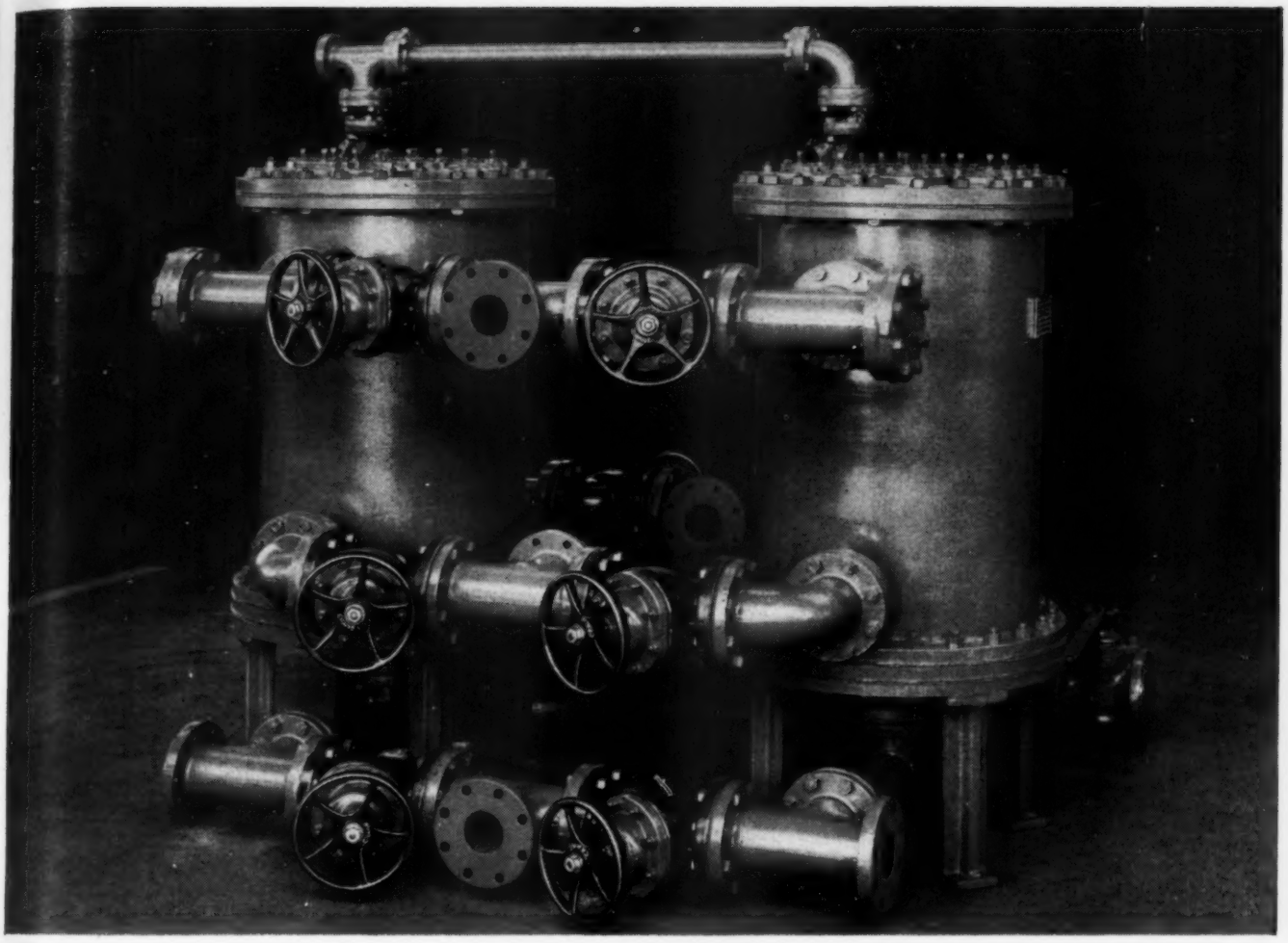
Double Solenoid Valve

Provision for momentary contact for reversal of valve position in both positions eliminates need of a holding relay in the Speed King double solenoid pilot-operat-



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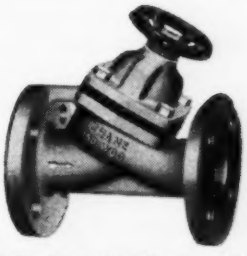

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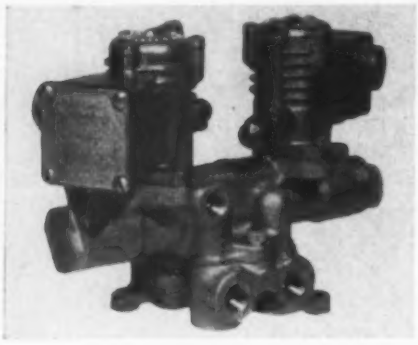

ed control valve. Once the stem has been positioned, it remains in that position until the solenoid is energized to reverse it. Both pilots are normally open, reversal being accomplished by exhausting air on one end of the stem or the other. Valve is made in both foot and manifold mounting types in basic ⅜ and ¾-in. sizes and in a four-way body. Standard pressure range is 35 to 200 psi. Overall dimensions are 3 x 5 x 8 in. Manual override for operation in both directions, junction box and external pilot supply are optional. Made by **Valvair Corp.**, 454 Morgan Ave., Akron 11, O.

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Index Tables

Standard high-speed tables are available with 4, 6, 8 or 12 stops and with dial sizes varying from 12 to 36 in. diameter. Variations in movement time range from ¼ to ¾ of the total cycle. Design permits passage of air or hydraulic fluid through the roller gear shaft and dial to the work area for actuation of product holding devices, or cooling water for dissipation of heat in operations such as induction welding. Brackets outside the dial periphery permit attachment of tooling such as drilling and tapping heads, staking presses and other forming, assembly and inspection devices. With a Ferguson Roller Gear Drive as the indexing mechanism, this Intermittor can attain high speeds without sacrifice of product quality. Acceleration, self-locking and zero backlash characteristics permit smooth starting and stopping without auxiliary locking methods, even at speeds as high as 500 indexes per minute. Made by Roller Gear Div., **Ferguson Machine & Tool Co.**, P. O. Box 191, St. Louis 21, Mo.

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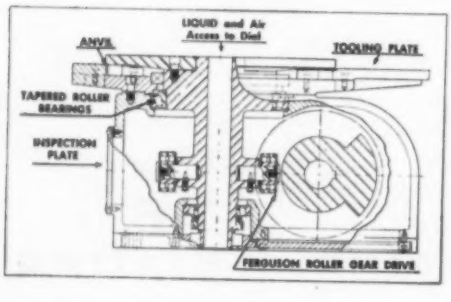

Precision Snap Switch

Unimax series WHB precision snap switches combine maximum movement differential of 0.0005-in. and low actuating force with high repeat accuracy. Units are suitable for use in pressure-sensitive thermostatic controls and short-motion gaging devices. Basic WHB-5 switch is 1 15/16 in. long, 15/16 in. high and 11/16-in. wide. It is UL listed for 15 amp, 125/240/480 v ac. Three styles of over-travel plungers are available. Step base facilitates use of standard connector lugs, or merely looping connecting wires around the 6/32 binding head screws. Made by Unimax Div,. **W. L. Maxson Corp.**, 460 W. 34th St., New York 1, N. Y.

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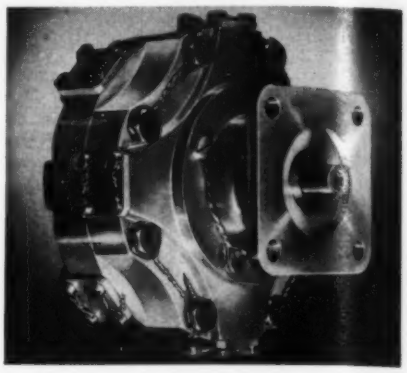
Hydraulic Motor

Radial type hydraulic motor built to aircraft standards is practical for use where speed and long operating life without maintenance are required. Unit operates between 1000 and 1700 psi input and will turn up 5000 rpm at latter input with rating of 2.9 hp. It measures 4¾ x 4 7/32 in., weighs under 4 lb and is suitable for use with all commercial mineral base hydraulic fluids. Each piston acts as valve for adjacent cylinder. Antifriction bearings and leakproof shaft seal are used. Motor runs equally well in either direction, reverses instantly and has almost constant torque over entire speed range. Made by **Sierra Engineering Co.**, 123 E. Montecito Ave., Sierra Madre, Calif.



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Sintered Bronze Bearings

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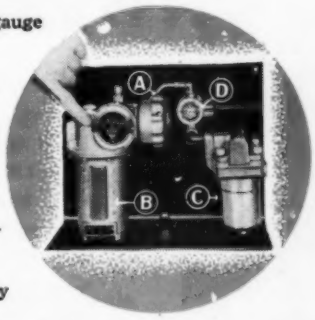

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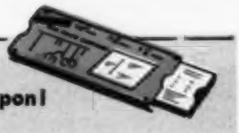

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Cam Type Relay

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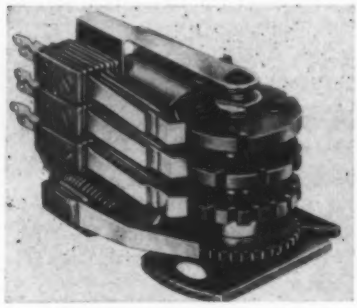

cam type rotary relay combines relay and stepping switch functions. It is adaptable for alternate on-off operations as well as for stepping operations. It can be driven self-interruptedly to produce a time cycle or for "homing." Available from **Automatic Electric Sales Corp.**, 1033 W. Van Buren St., Chicago 7, Ill.

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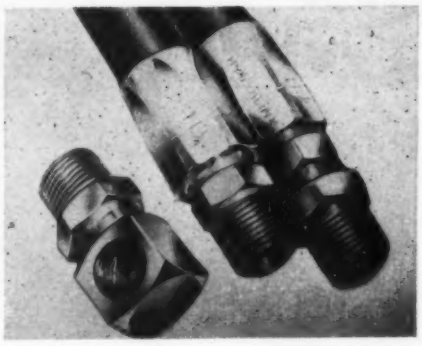
Hydraulic Fittings

Reusable, high-pressure Hydralink couplings are available in a standard range of sizes for both one and two-wire braided, rubber covered hose. Requiring no special tools for assembly, couplings withstand pressures greater than rated burst pressures of the wire braid hose. Both fixed and swivel male end couplings are available. Adapters and fittings for all stand-



ard installations are also available. Leakproof 90-deg swivel elbows for high-pressure hydraulic equipment are available in a full range of sizes for all standard applications. These elbows can be adjusted to any angle in their relationship to the other connections. Available from **Condamatic Co. Inc.**, Sales Export Div., 332 W. 21st St., New York, N. Y.

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Flush Latches

Quick-opening flush latches for access doors and panels function at extreme high and low temperatures. Large latch button can be used as a handle for opening or closing, and over-center or toggle action movement assures positive door closing or opening with only slight pressure. For applications

involving moisture, the latch is available with rubber gaskets around the opening, making it splashproof, moisture resistant and dustproof. Latches are constructed of corrosion resistant stainless steel. Installed without special punches or tools, they can accommodate a wide range of thicknesses and doors. Made by **Modern Aviation Co.**, 2812 S. Main St., Los Angeles 7, Calif.

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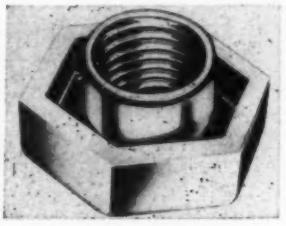
Lightweight Hex Nut

Lightweight Kaylock hex nut with high axial strength exceeds all BUAER and USAF requirements for AN363 high temperature nut and the AN365 standard hex nut, yet is dimensionally interchangeable with the AN364 thin shear nut. Of cadmium plated spring steel construction, nut has locking design wherein upper threads are made elliptical



and resilient, allowing all threads to carry load without auxiliary locking device. It withstands temperatures up to 550 F. Nut is available in 6-32, 8-32, 10-32, ¼-in.-28, 5/16-in.-24, ⅜-in.-24 and 7/16-in.-20 sizes. Made by **Kaynar Co.**, Kaylock Div., 820 E. Sixteenth St., Los Angeles, Calif.

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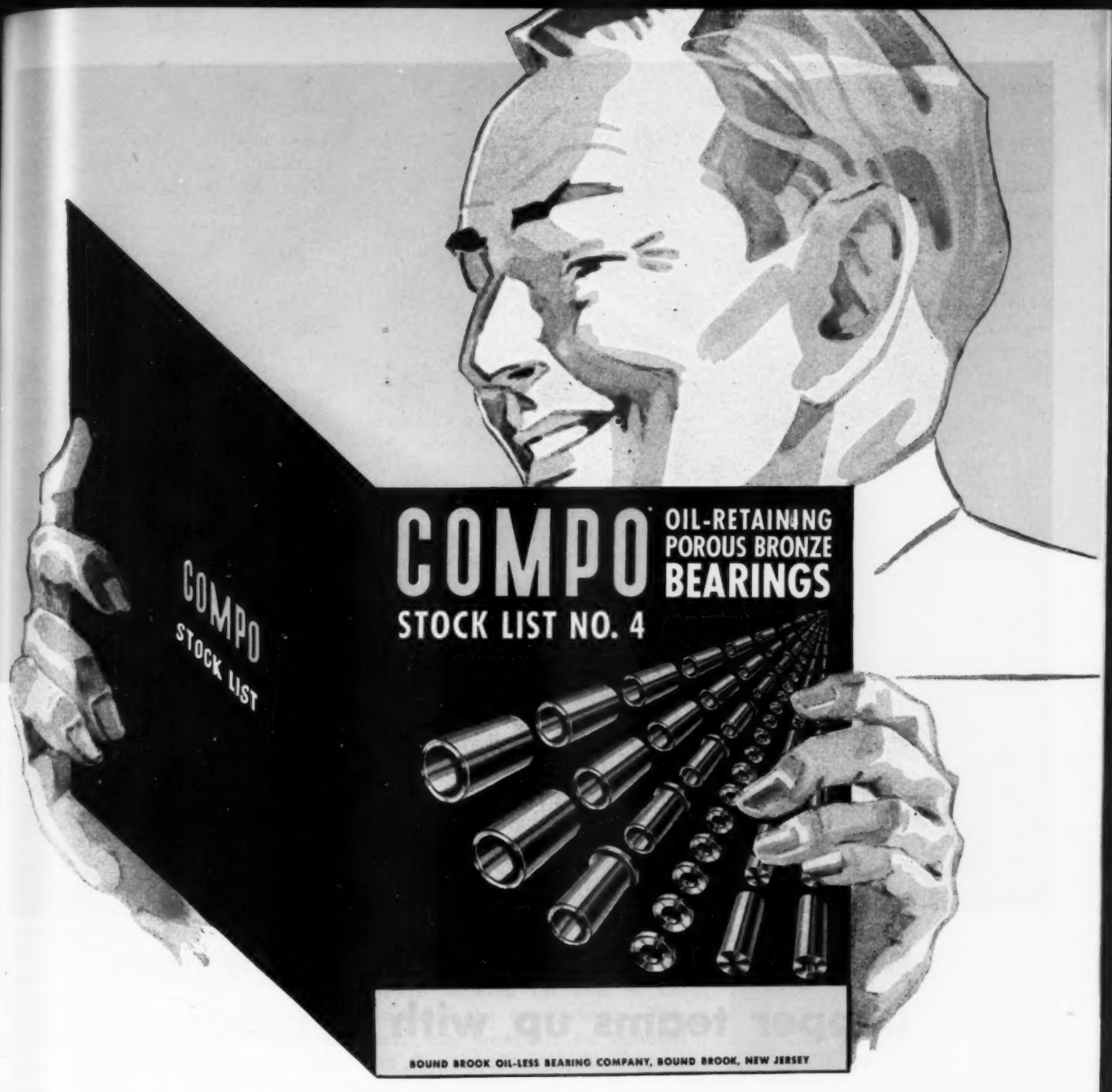
Small Motors

Totally enclosed fractional horsepower motors for shaft-mounted fans and blowers weigh 50 per cent less than previous models. Extended through-bolts provide solid mounting face beyond surface of end shield. Resilient rings on bearing housings and optional resilient base make possible wide variety of mounting arrangements. Designed for moderate thrust applications, motors are available in one and two-speed, single-phase models and in single-speed polyphase models with ratings up to ½-hp. Ball bearings are offered for heavy-thrust



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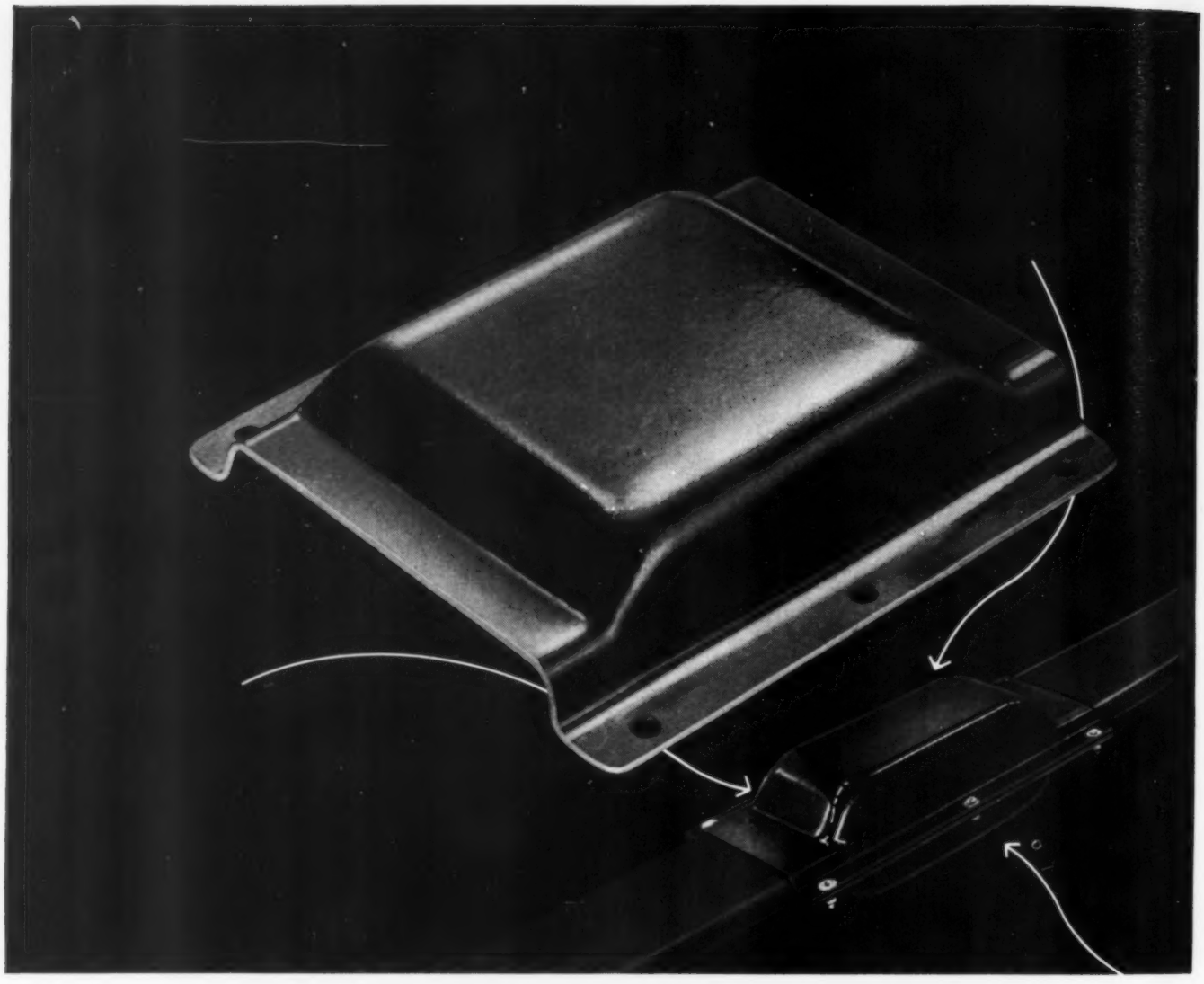

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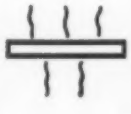

Thermosetting. Synthane will hold its shape under elevated temperatures; some grades resist up to 400° C. Synthane cannot be re-heated and re-shaped. (If this must be done, special post-forming grades are available.)

Availability. In addition to more than 33 grades of sheets, Synthane is also supplied in many grades of rods, tubes and special shapes. Molded-laminated and molded-macerated parts are also manufactured. A complete fabricating service is available.

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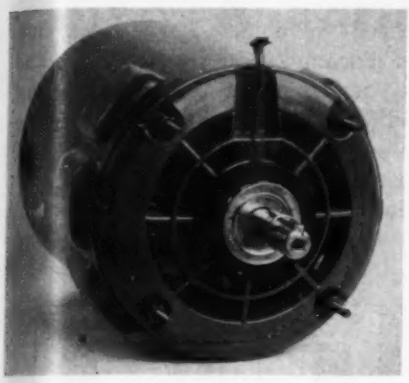

applications. Filtered oil keeps bearing surfaces clean in the all-angle sleeve bearings. Made by General Purpose Component Motor Dept., **General Electric Co.**, Schenectady 5, N. Y.

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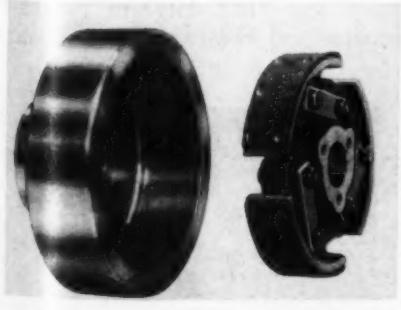
Clutch Coupling

Flexible in all directions, Twiflex automatic centrifugal clutch coupling provides full centrifugal action while operating under relatively great misalignment as a direct coupling between two shaft ends. Unit consists of a driving hub, a driven drum and a series of shoes suspended between them on links attached to the shoes and hub by means of bonded rubber joints. Coupling absorbs shock, limits torsional vibration, protects driver and driven mechanisms against overload shock, and prevents torsional resonance. Available in automatic free-wheeling and automatic backstop types, couplings are made in



popular size ranges for coupling two shafts; as clutches suitable for mounting on a shaft and carrying gears, pulleys, sheaves or sprockets; as centrifugal speed governing brakes and as backstops to prevent reverse rotation. Made by **Hilliard Corp.**, 102 W. Fourth St., Elmira, N. Y.

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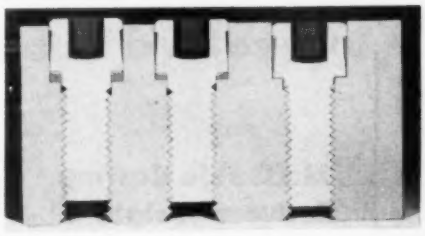
Socket Screw

Blue Devil vibration and leak-proof socket head capscrew resists leakage of oil, air and water under severe operating conditions. Tests have shown resistance to hydraulic pressures of 6000 psi. Designated Led-Lok because of wedge-action principle, screw has a ta-



pered chamfer shoulder, beneath which is a preassembled ⅛-in. lead washer. As shown in the illustration, the washer locks and seals the head of the screw by extruding and forming a wedge as the screw is tightened into place. A permanent lock and seal is thus formed between the side of the head and the counterbore. Fastener can, however, be removed and then restored to its original position without loss of desirable characteristics. Screw will not strip tapped holes of aluminum and brass parts. Made by **Safety Socket Screw Co.**, 6501 Avondale Ave., Chicago 31, Ill.

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Self-Sealing Couplings

For high-pressure, heavy-flow applications, quick-sealing leak-proof hose couplings have built-in single or double check valves. One or both ends of the hose line are sealed closed, depending upon which type is used, the instant the coupling is opened. Check valves open automatically when couplings on end of fluid line are joined. Internal spring keeps

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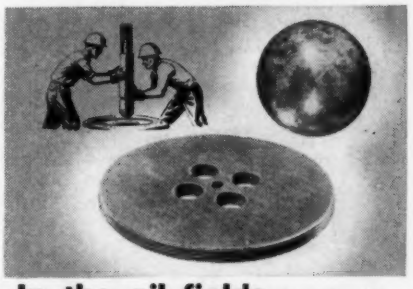
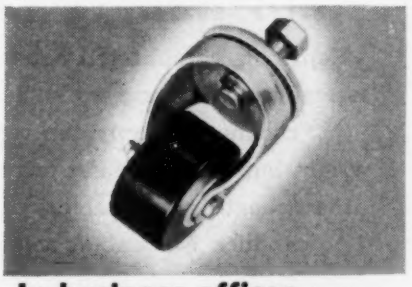


In the oil fields *Synthane's* toughness, dimensional stability and chemical resistance are all utilized in underground equipment for cementing oil wells. *Synthane* piston rings are widely used.



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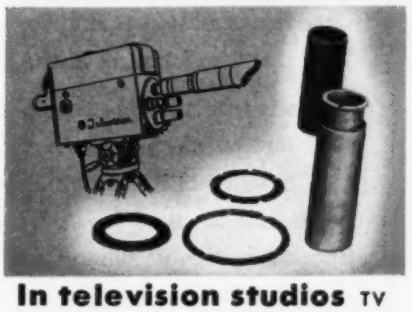

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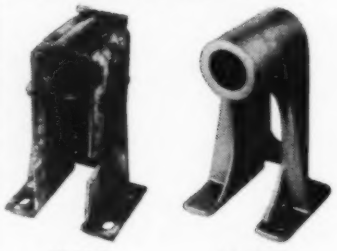

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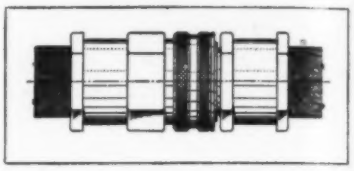

of hose. Bearing surfaces are heat treated, and ball bearings and springs are stainless steel. Eight standard sizes from ¼ to 2 in. are available from stock, and ten special sizes from 2½ to 12 in. can be supplied on order. Standard construction includes cadmium plated steel with Neoprene and Buna-N seals. Aluminum, brass, stainless steel and alloy constructions are available with special seal materials. Made by **Titeflex Inc.**, 500 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 5, N. J.

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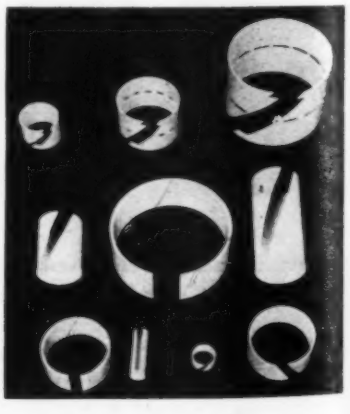
Bearing Liner

Heretofore available only in combination with metal bearing shell, Nylined nylon bearing liners may be installed directly in equipment. Two types of liners include one that is used in standard bearings for applications requiring lubrication. It has spiral compensation gap that corrects for expansion and contraction of nylon.



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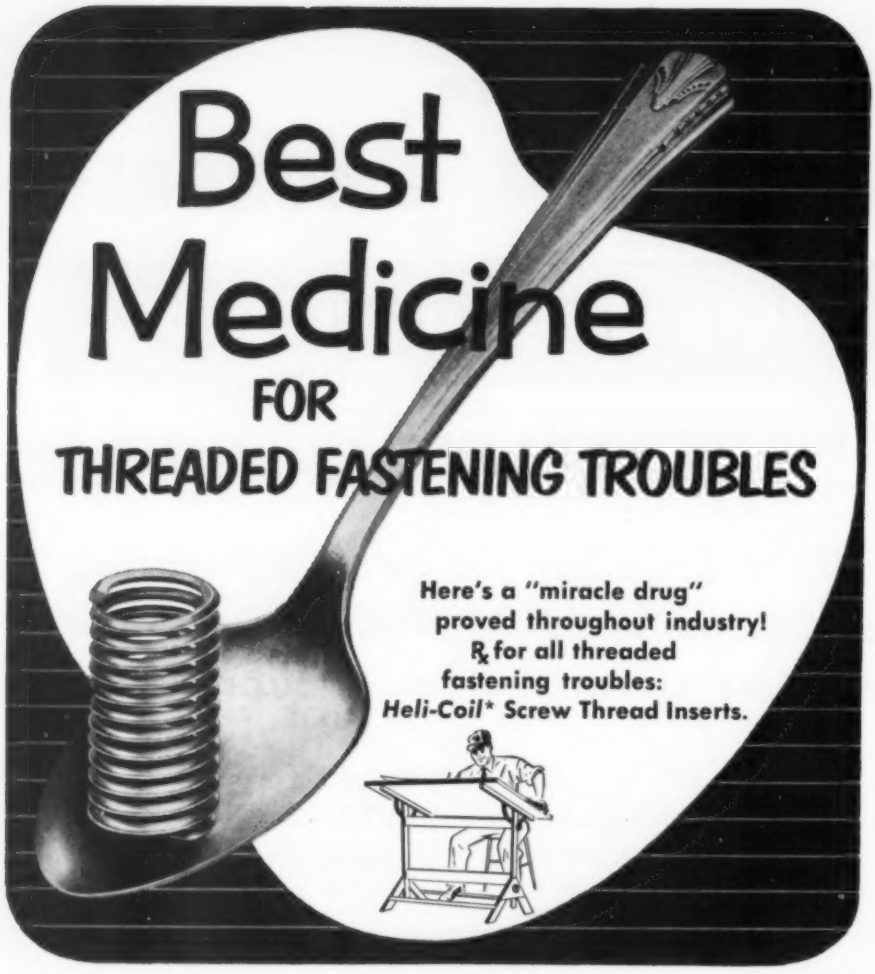

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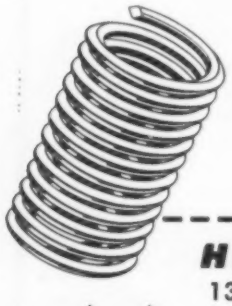

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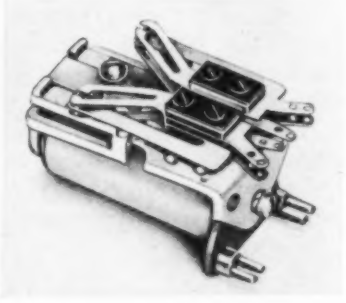

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Hydraulic Cylinders

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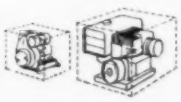

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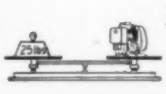

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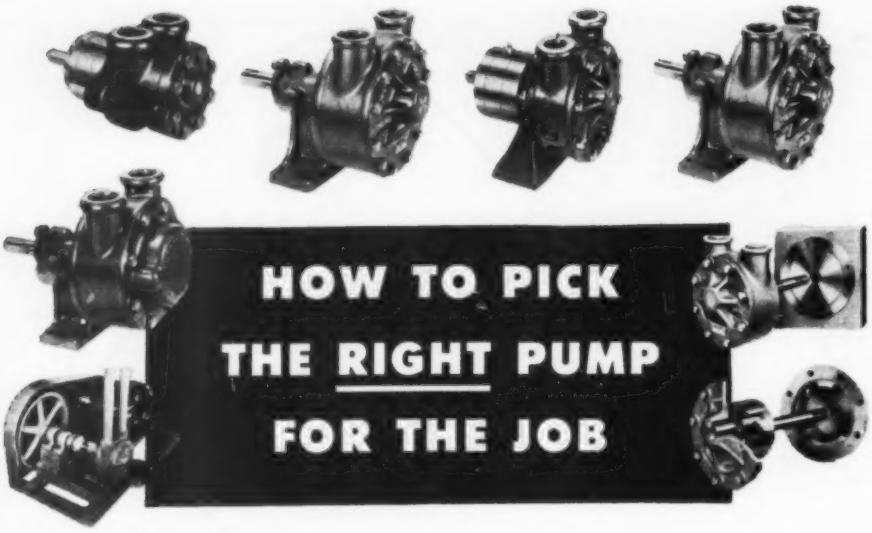

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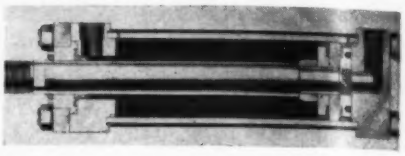

of ports and air vents and option of foot, flange (head or rod end), extended tie rod and clevis mountings permit mounting flexibility. Standard sizes from 1½ to 6 in. bore with standard or heavy duty piston rods are available. Made by **Waterbury Tool Div., Vickers Inc.**, 1400 Oakman Blvd., Detroit 32, Mich.

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Bimetal Thermostat

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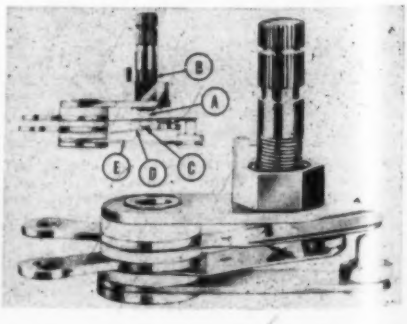

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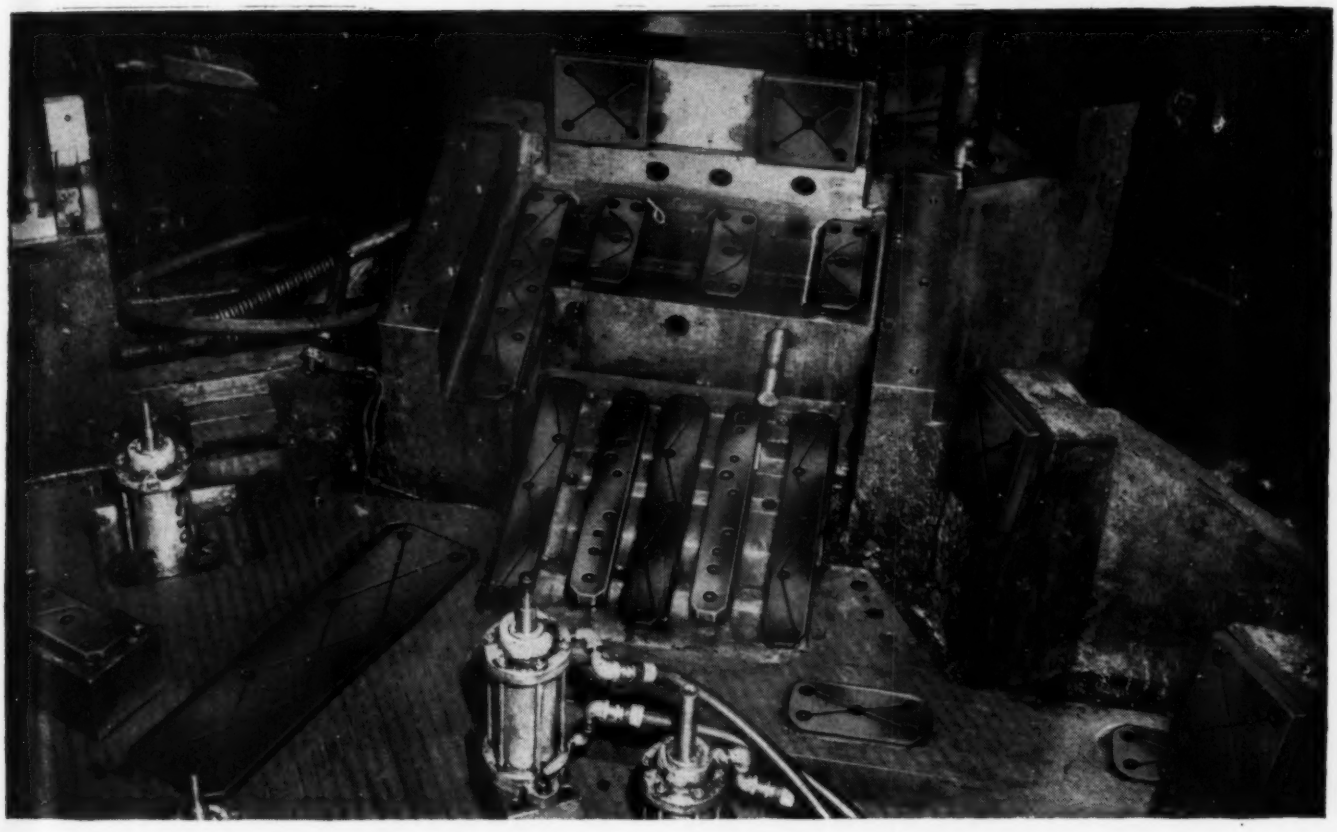

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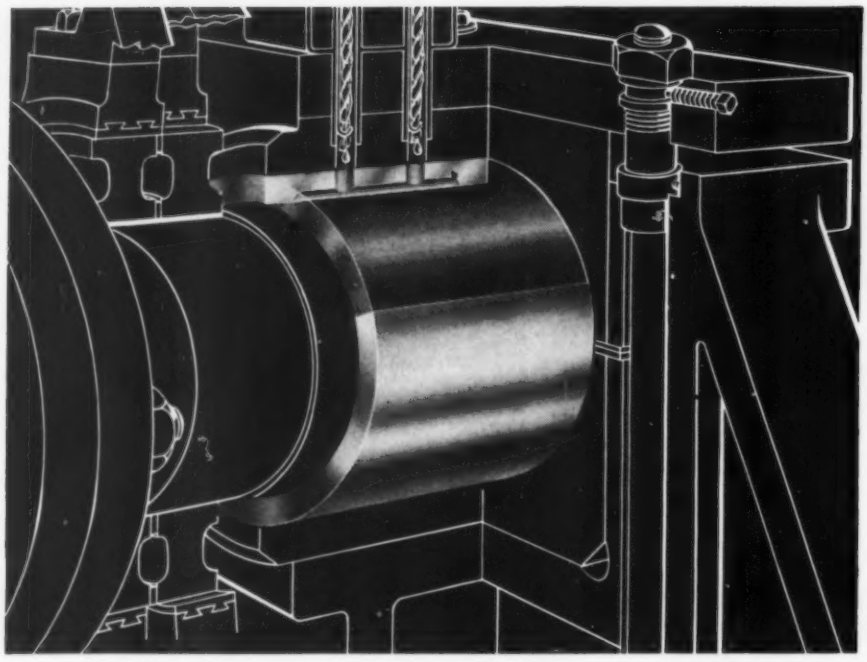

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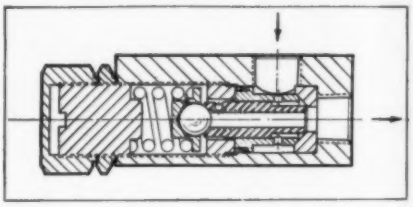
Piston Type Relief Valve

Differential piston-type relief valve is extremely quiet and has fast response to pressure surges. Pressure acts on annular area between outer diameter and reduced diameter of piston. Effective force



of pressure is not reduced by high-velocity, low pressure conditions occurring ahead of the seat. As a result, pressure is relatively constant. Valve is recommended for circuits where pilot-operated relief valves would be too slow, or where failure to hold pressure would be dangerous. It is available in ¼ and ⅜-in. sizes. Made by **Fluid Controls Inc.**, 1284 No. Center St., Mentor, O.

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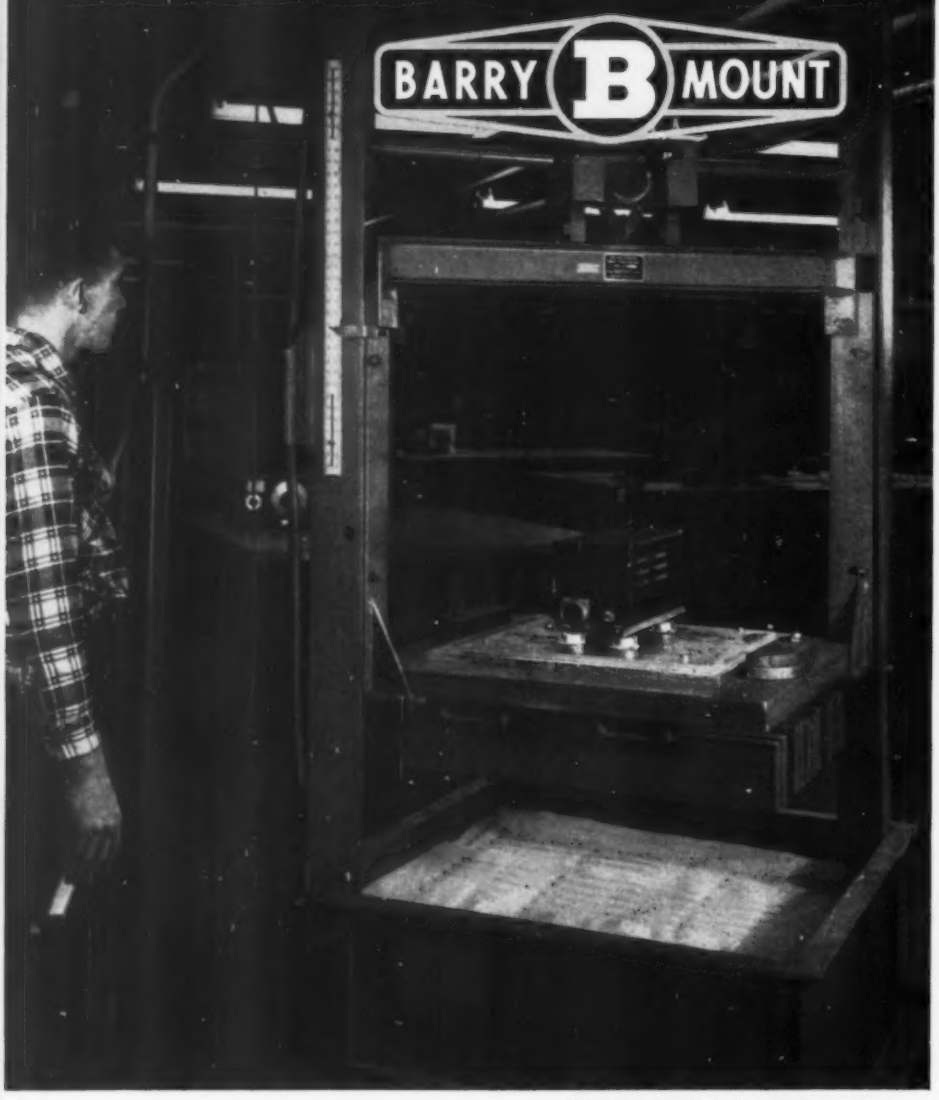

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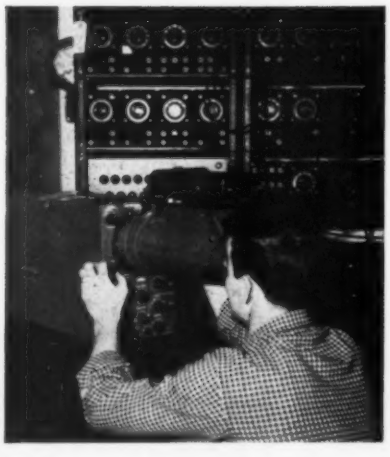

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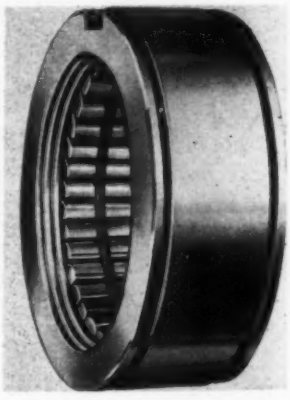

diameter is basically the same as the outer diameter of a standard bearing. Diameter tolerance is held to insure proper fit (without pressing) into a continuation of the adjacent bearing bore. Torque capacities range from 170 to 3950 lb-in. Made by **Formsprag Co.**, 23601 Hoover Rd., Van Dyke, Mich.

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Small Counters

Micro Meter series of small die-cast counters includes ratchet style, with either internal or external stops; ratchet rotary, direct drive and complete - revolution counters. All are available in three, four and five-digit capacity with base flange or window flange for panel mounting. Two direc-

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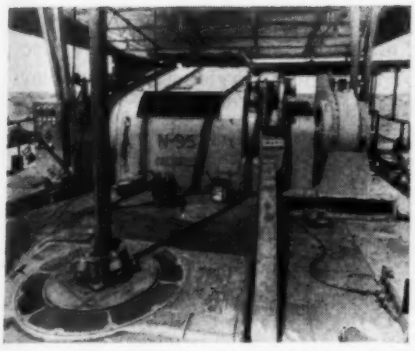

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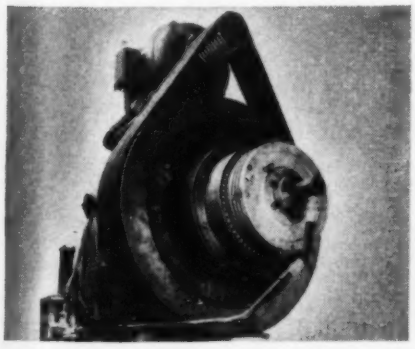

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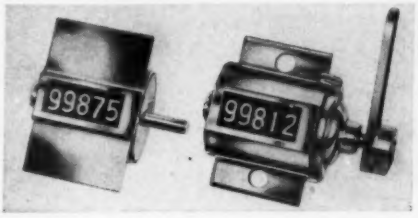

tions of rotation are provided, and the drive may be on the right or left side of the counter. Engraved figures are white against a black background, 11/64-in. high. Counters are sealed and require no lubrication. Speed range is from 500 to 1000 counts per minute. Made by **Durant Mfg. Co.**, 1933 N. Buffum St., Milwaukee 1, Wis.

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Axle Assembly

Suspension type Floating-Hub shock-absorption system has stub axle for transport trailers. It can mount pneumatic, semipneumatic or cushion type tires with conventional wheel mounting bolts. Stub is inserted into tubing or a clamping bracket, and the mounting plate is bolted to the wheel hub. Design and location of the load-carrying spring in relation to the suspension and wheel center permit instant deflection of the wheel toward the rear when it hits an obstacle or rough spot. This deflection is followed by immediate recovery to keep the impact from being transmitted to the vehicle. Wheel is balanced and rides on true centers on precision bearings which are sealed to retain lubricant and preclude

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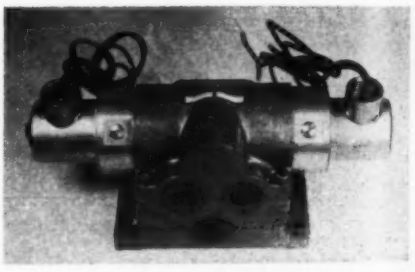
Four-Way Valves

Only moving part in MV series four-way valves is the one-piece spool which carries the only moving seals employed. These are easily replaced standard O-rings. Suitable for air or hydraulic service to 200 psi, valves can be adapted to sub-base, manifold, panel, console or conventional piped installations. Attachments provide



for operation by lever, palm button, foot pedal or treadle roller, cam, solenoid, pilot or remote bleeder button. Parts are standardized and interchangeable. Made by **Modernair Corp.**, 400 Preda St., San Leandro, Calif.

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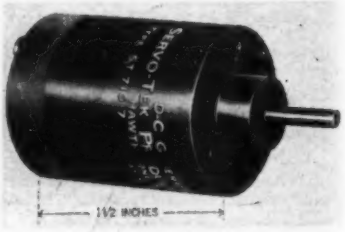
Tachometer-Generators

Incorporating a permanent-magnet field assembly, this dc tachometer-generator is less than 1½ in. long and weighs under 3 oz. Used principally as a rate genera-



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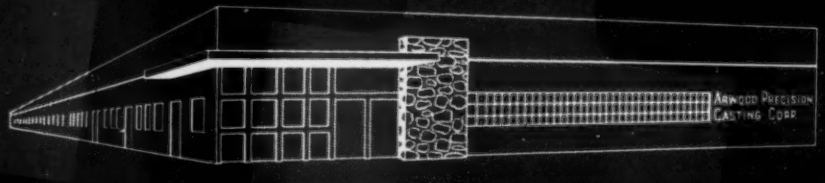

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Plastic Pipe Fittings

Added to standard line of adapters, couplings, tees and ells, 27 special-purpose fittings for flexible plastic pipe are corrosion-resistant virgin polystyrene copolymer. Included are extra-length

couplings, adapters and elbows; short and long adapter elbows; and insert reducing tees with female threads in the stem. Fittings have small secondary leak-sealing serrations in the clamping area. They have a hex where applicable for easy handling. Made by **Franklin Plastics Inc.**, Franklin, Pa.

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Neoprene adhesive F-1 spreads readily and can be applied with a spatula, brush or spray equipment. It does not require accelerators, catalysts or two-part mixing. Adhering to almost any type of surface, the material exhibits ex-

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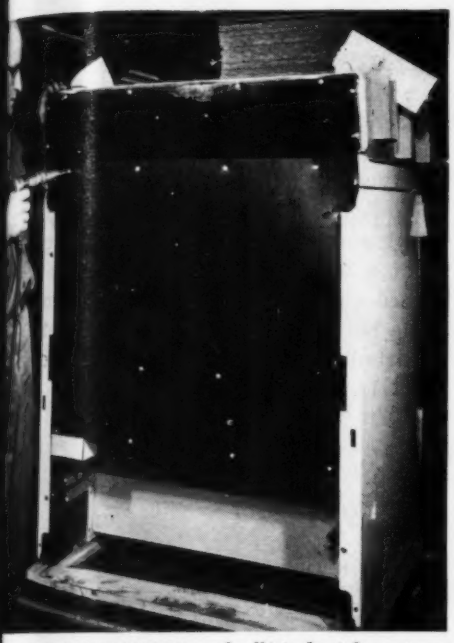

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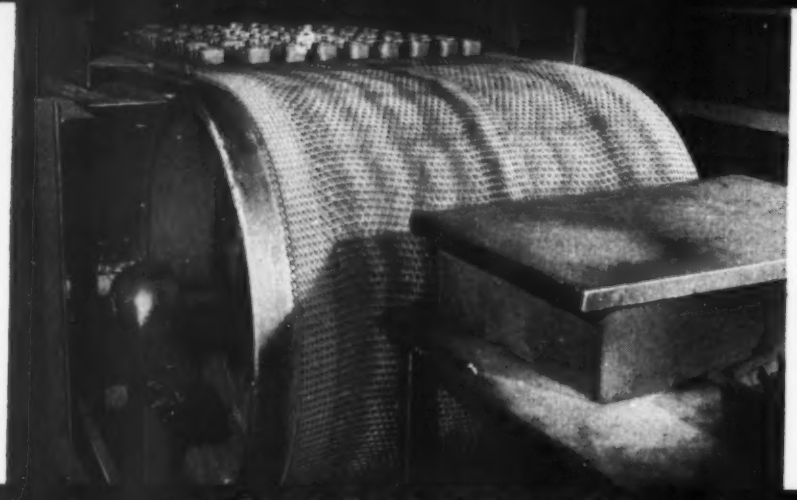

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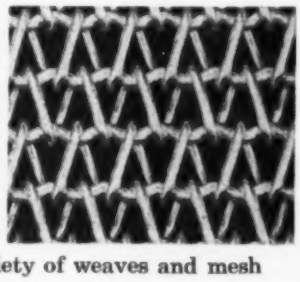

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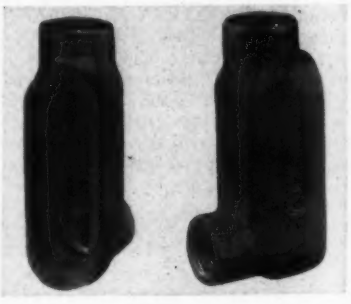
Conduit Fitting

OR series conduit fittings have oval covers and flat backs. Ferrous alloy castings have tapered machine-cut threads, and the



large flat back area is easily drilled for secure mounting on vibrating machines. Large, smooth interiors facilitate wire pulling, and the rounded edges prevent wire damage. Covers have self-retaining screws. Made by **Pyle-National Co.**, 1334 N. Kostner Ave., Chicago 51, Ill.

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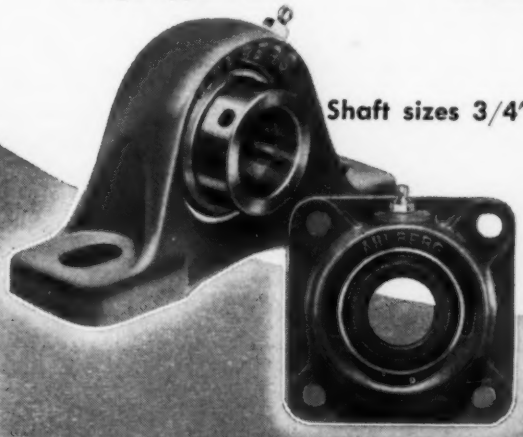

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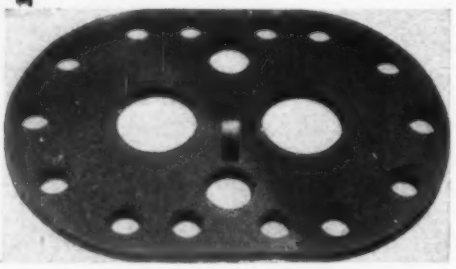

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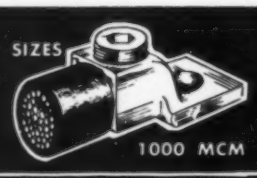

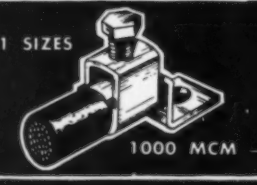

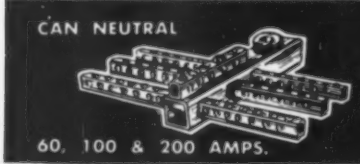

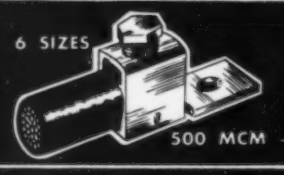

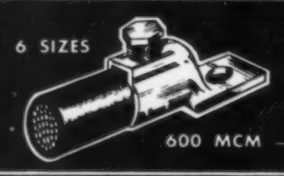

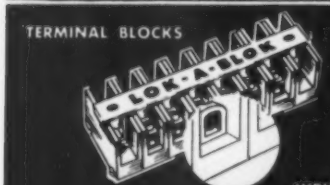

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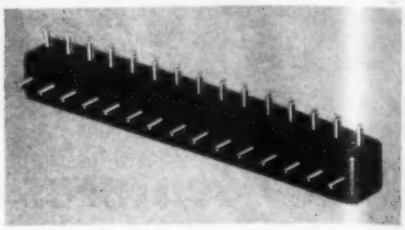

rial is standard 3700 green mineral filled phenolic, or can be obtained in mineral filled phenolic type MFE, diallyl phthalate MDG, or general purpose phenolic CFG. Made by **H. H. Buggie Inc.**, 726 Stanton St., Toledo 4, O.

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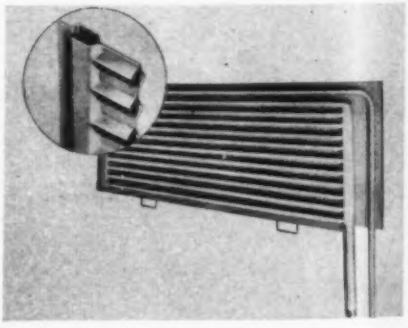

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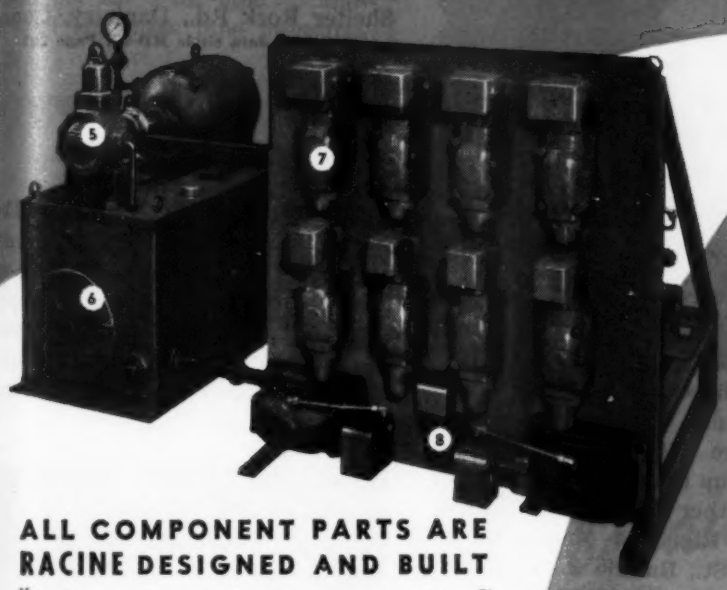

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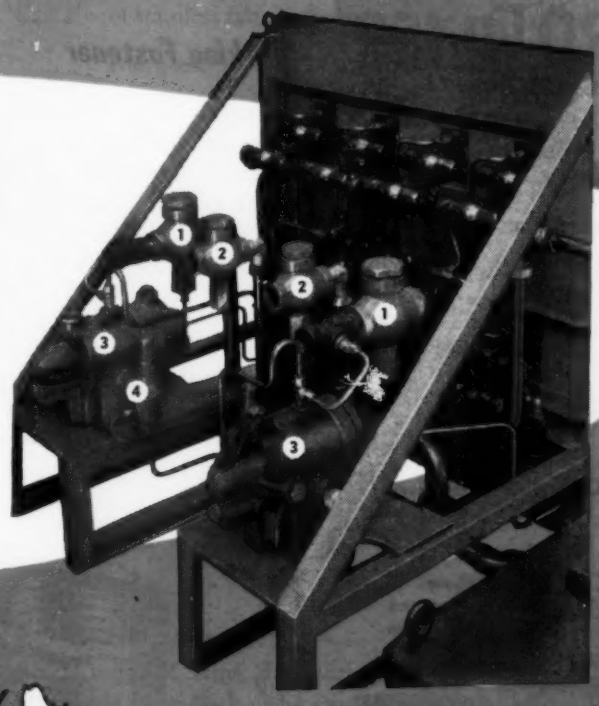

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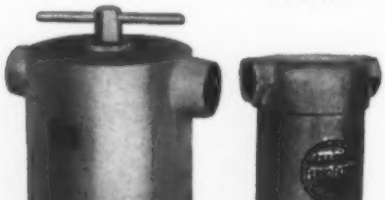

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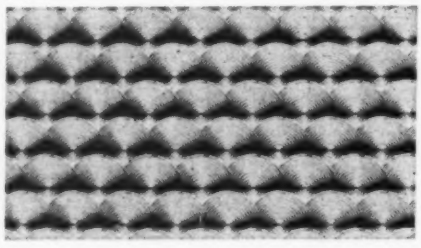

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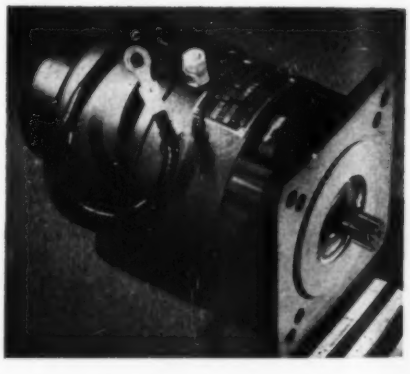

regulates over a load variation of 2/3 to 1 hp. Motor withstands adverse temperature, humidity and pressure conditions. By-pass capacitors built in at armature and governor brushes minimize radio interference during operation. Motor is avilable with various types of output shafts. Made by **Dalmotor Co.**, 1347 Clay St., Santa Clara, Calif.

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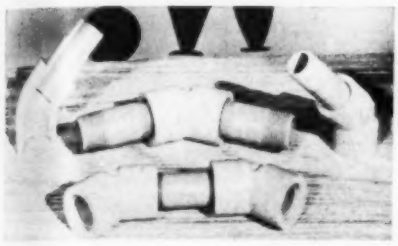
sures at 70 F for heavy wall pipe range from 300 psi for ½-in. pipe to 150 psi for 2-in. pipe. Standard wall thickness pipe pressures



are one-half those of heavy wall pipe. Threading is by standard pipe threading tools or machines. Pipe can be bent if heated first. Made by **American Hard Rubber Co.**, 93 Worth St., New York 13, N. Y.

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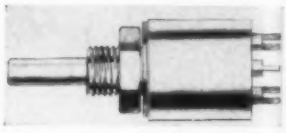

has gold or silver plated solder terminals. It is sealed against foreign matter and is resistant to corrosion as well as shock and vibration. Units can be ganged on one shaft with terminal boards on side of cases. Made by **Ace Electronics Associates,** Potentiometer Div., 125-129 Rogers Ave., Somerville 44, Mass.

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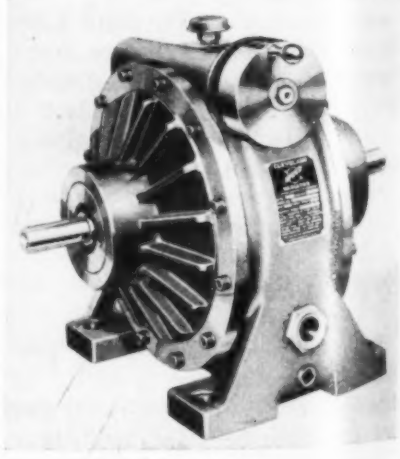

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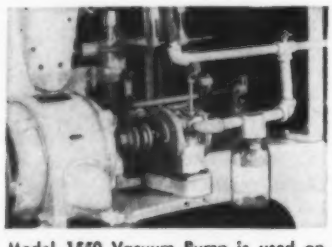

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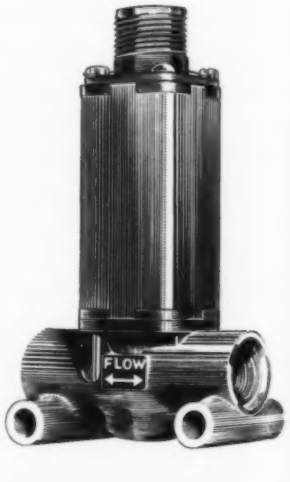

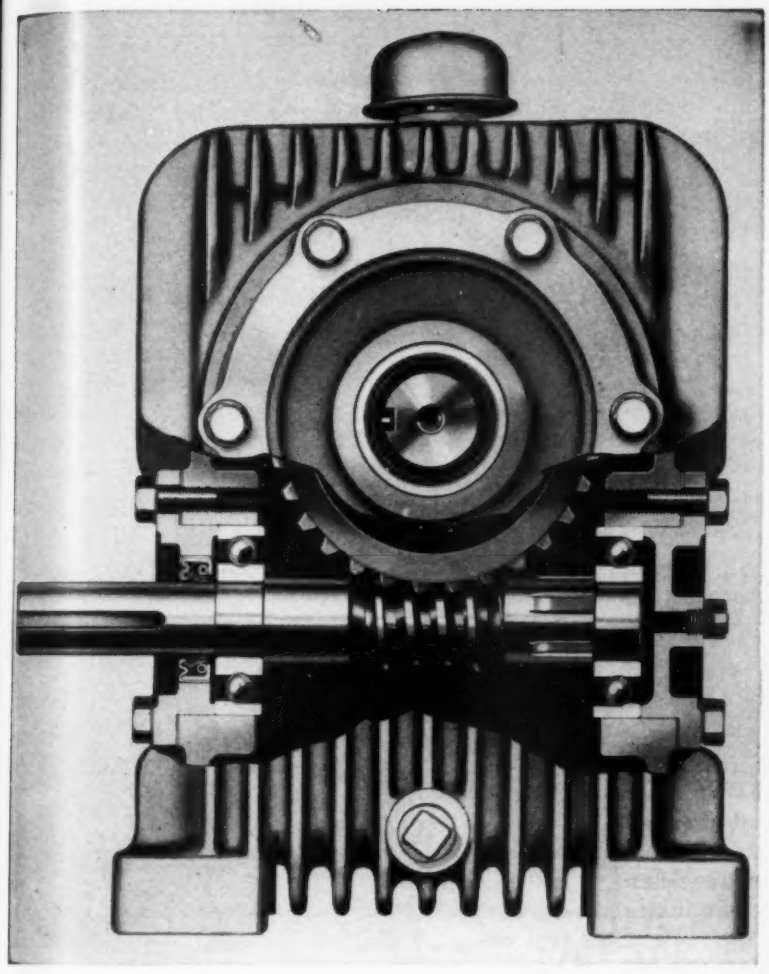

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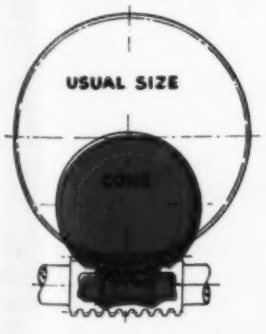

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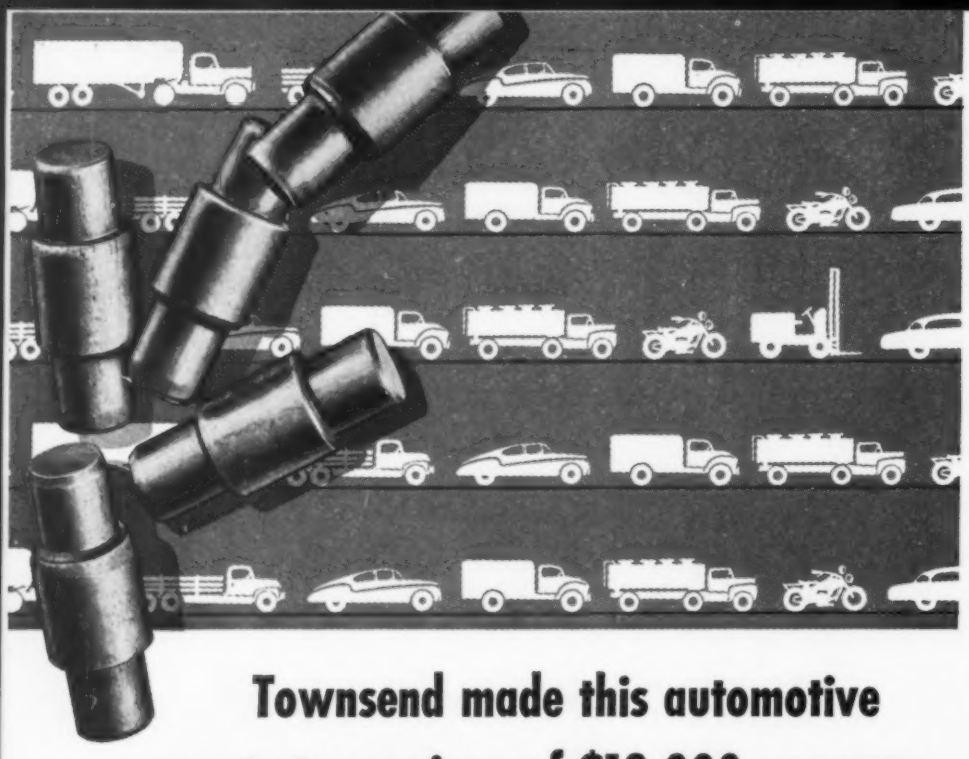

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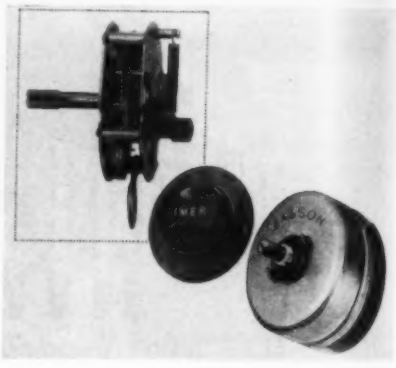

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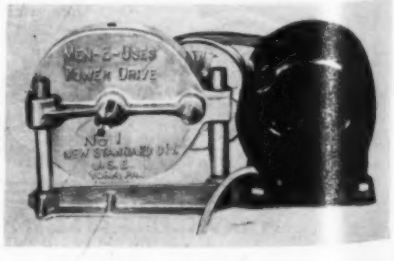

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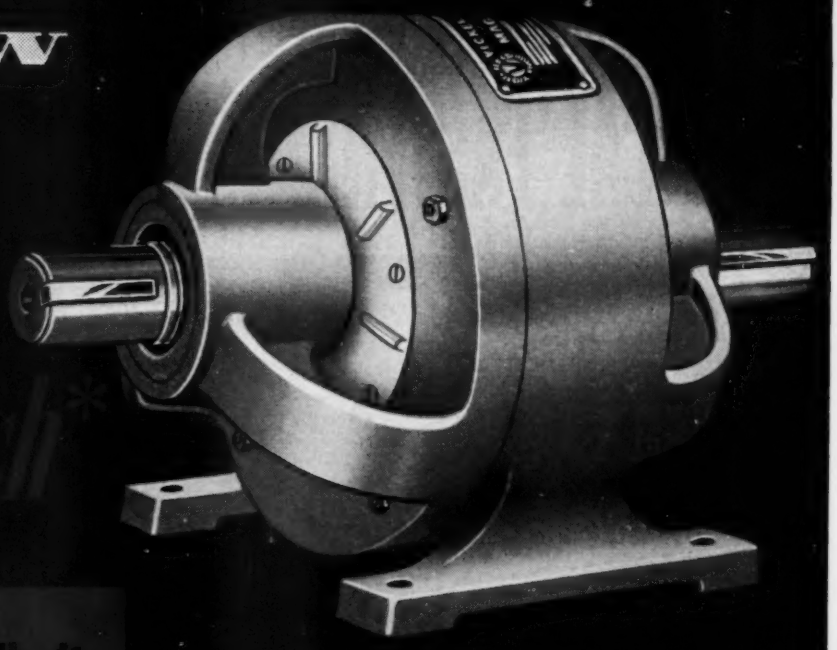

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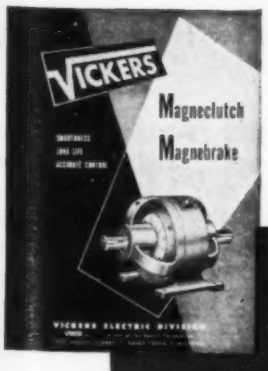

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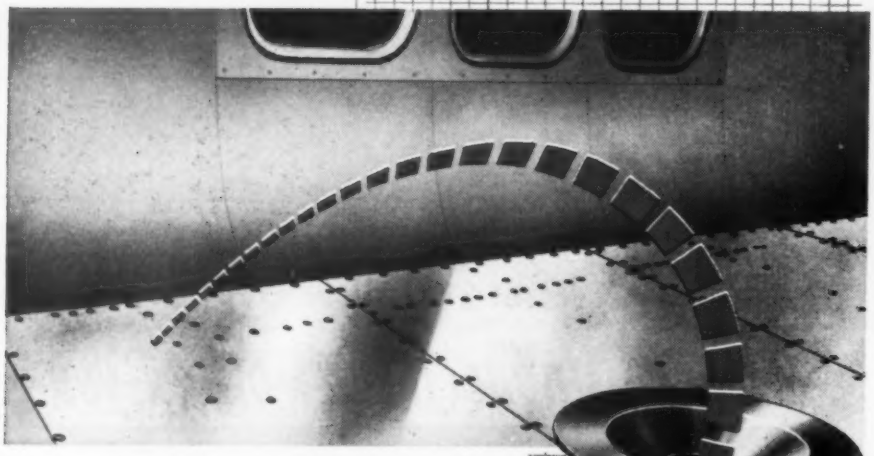

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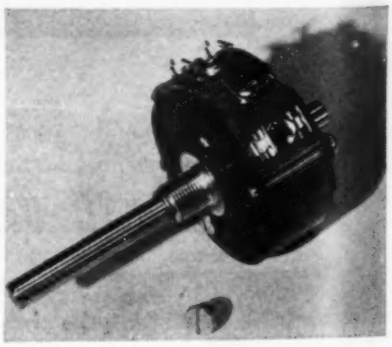
Precision Potentiometer

Available in resistance ranges from 50 to 100,000 ohms in 10 standard increments, series 42-900 precision potentiometer is adaptable for prototypes, laboratory testing and similar uses. It has



gold plated bushings, terminals and screws; anodized aluminum front and rear plates; adjustment for limited or continuous rotation and center tap. Power rating is 3 w. Made by **Clarostat Mfg. Co., Inc.**, Dover, N. H.

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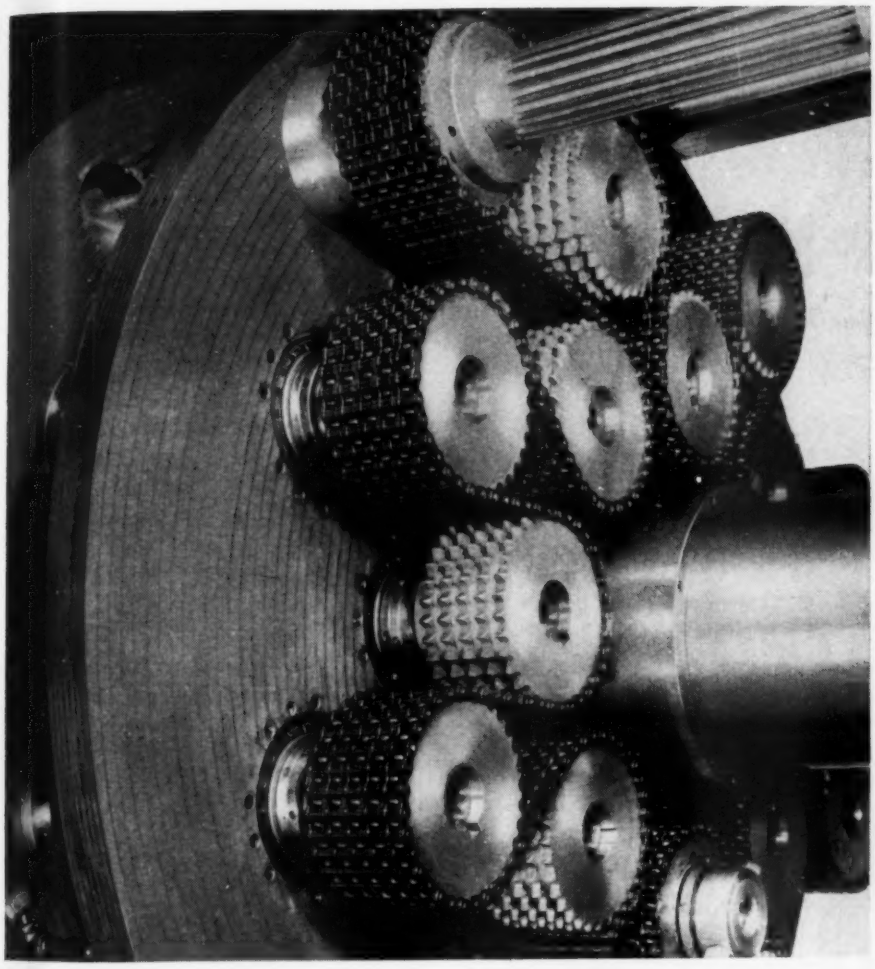

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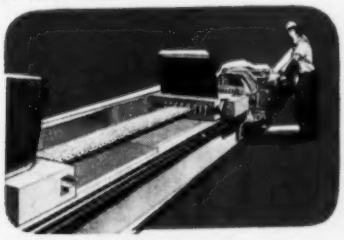

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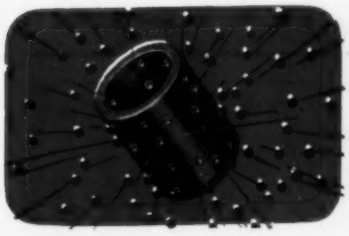

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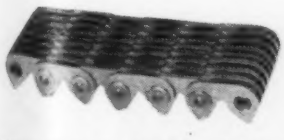

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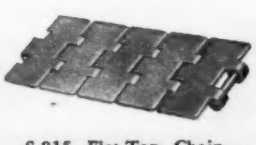

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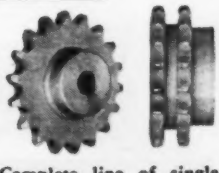

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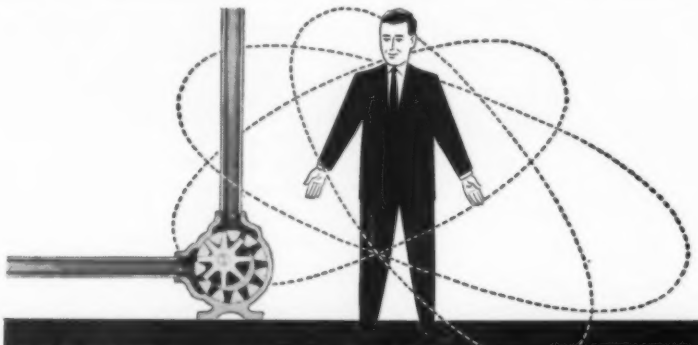

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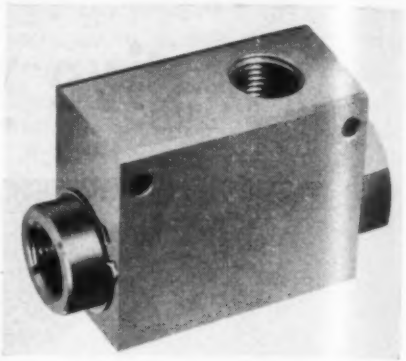

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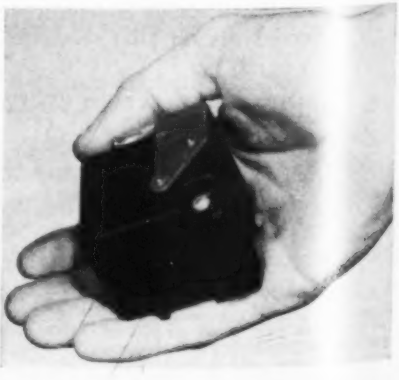
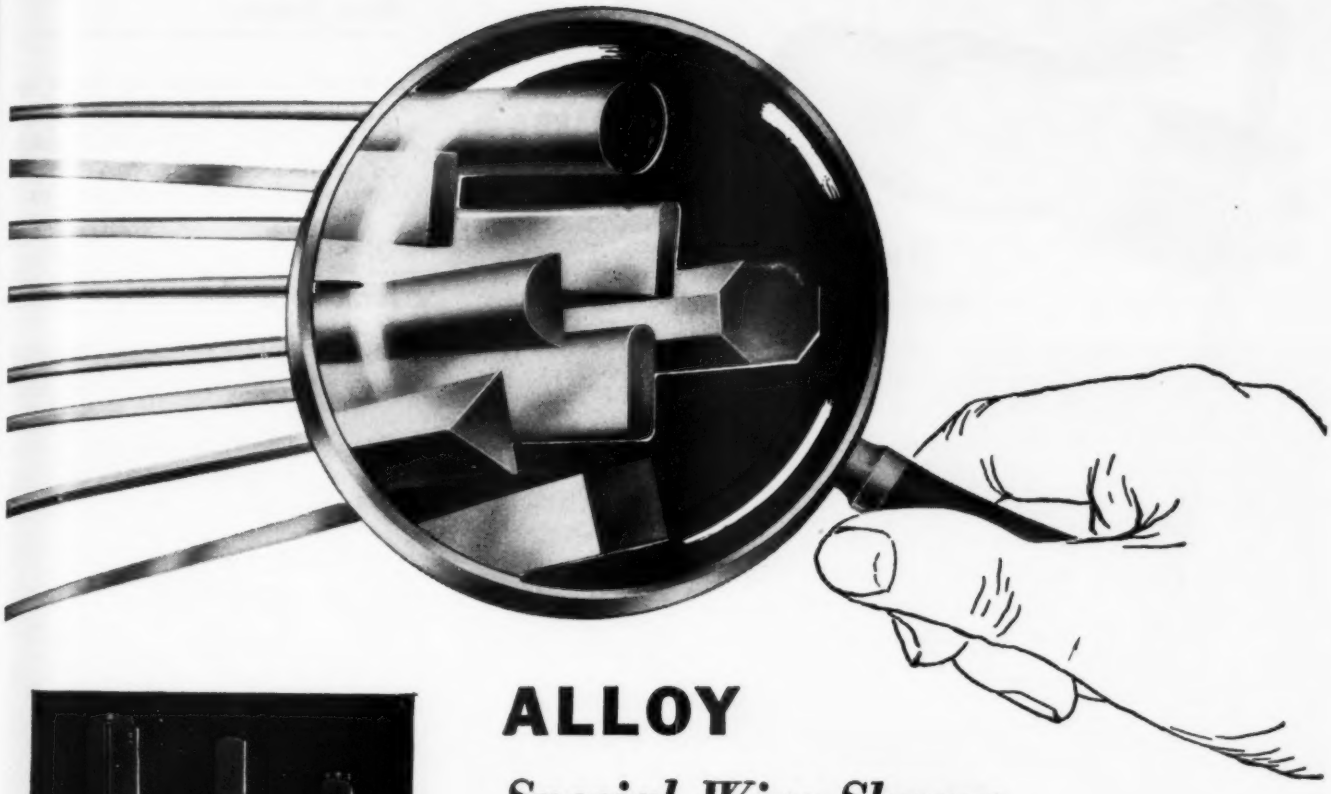
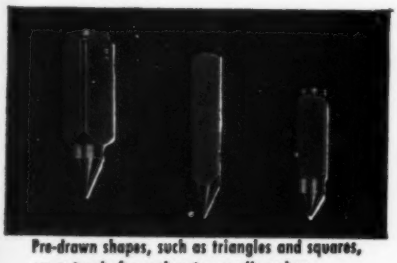
Motor-Starting Relay

Type ARR-1 motor starting relay is designed for single-phase, capacitor-start and capacitor-start, capacitor-run fractional or integral horsepower motors. It is applicable where adverse atmospheric conditions exist or where it is desired to have remote control incorporated into an explosion-proof case. Relay coil is wired across the starting winding of a single-phase motor. Relay is







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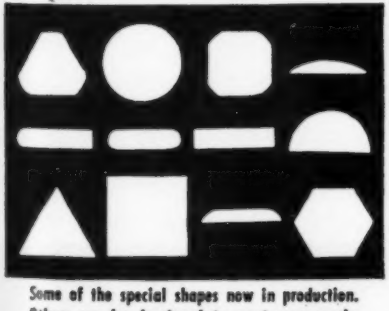

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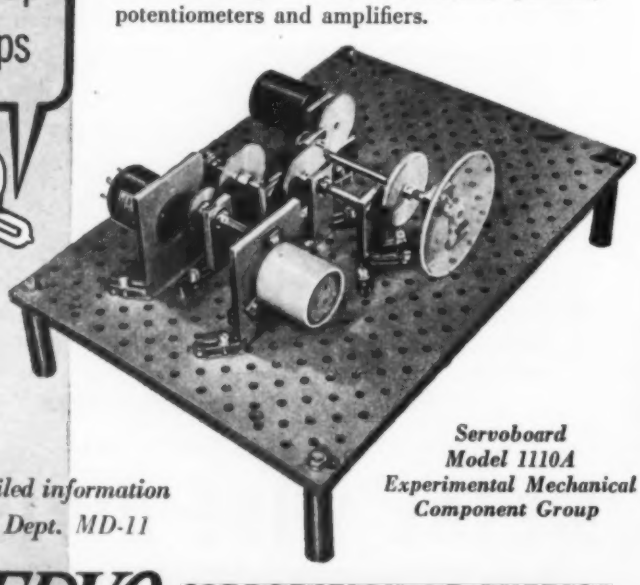

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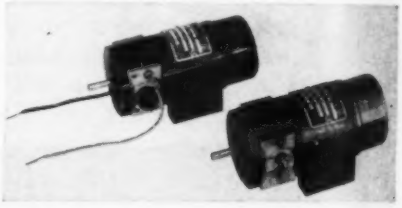

manent magnet type. As continuous duty motors from 1/30 to 1/100-hp they operate on voltages from 6 to 27.5 and at speeds from 3000 to 9000 rpm. As tachometer-generators their outputs are from 0.46 to 2.4 v dc per 100 rpm up to 9000 rpm. Made by **Instrument Motors**, P. O. Box 5, Stamford, Conn.

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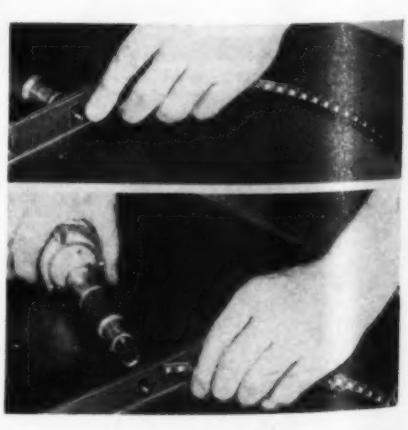

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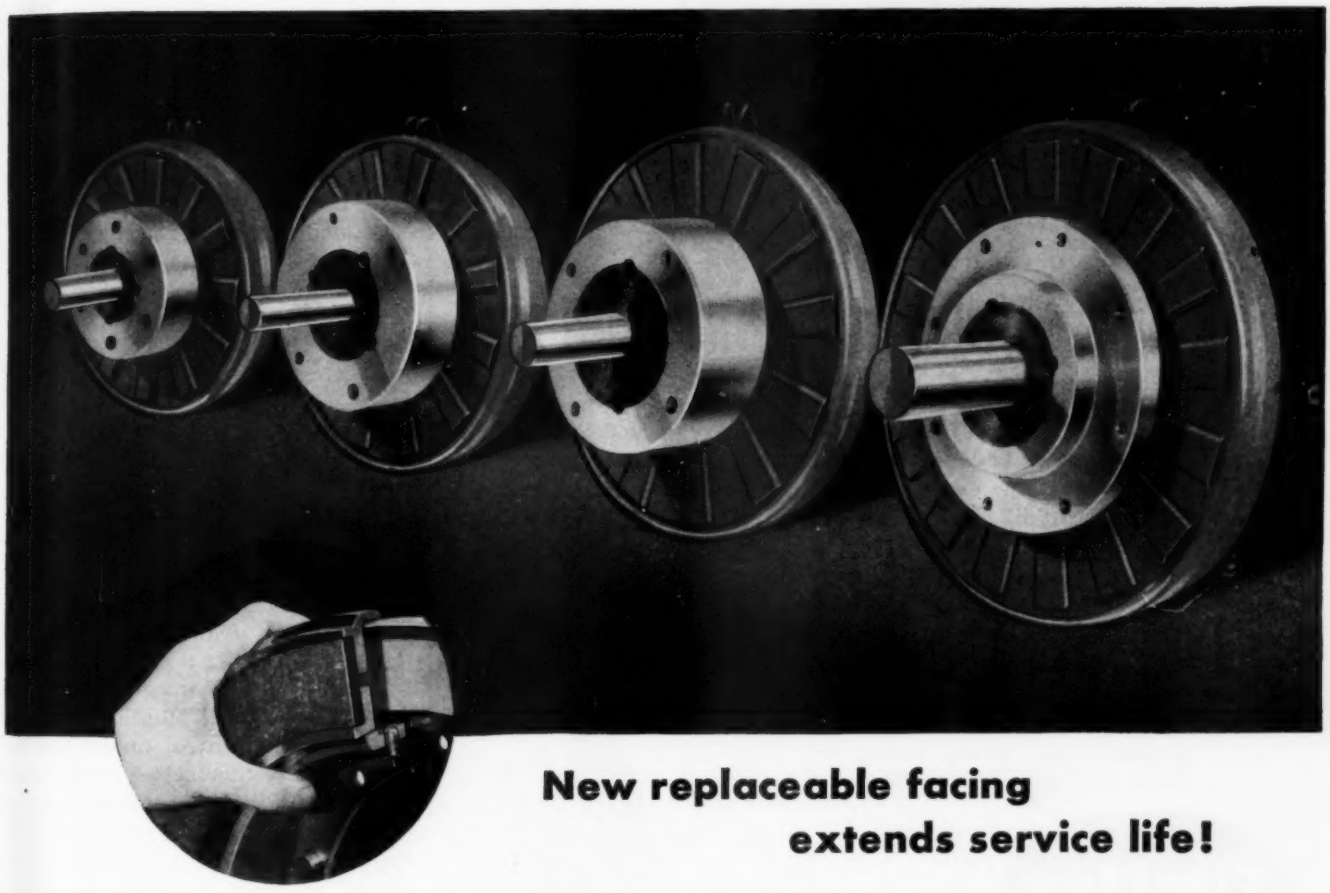

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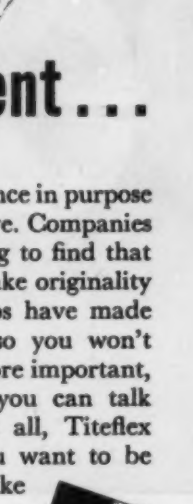

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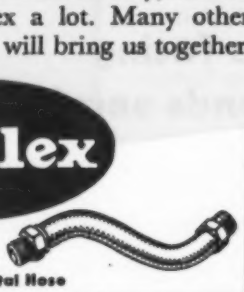

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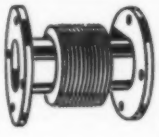

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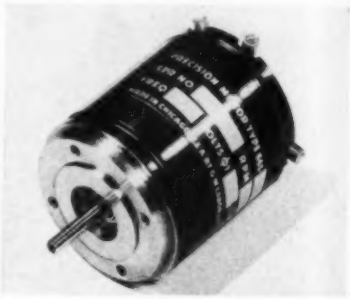

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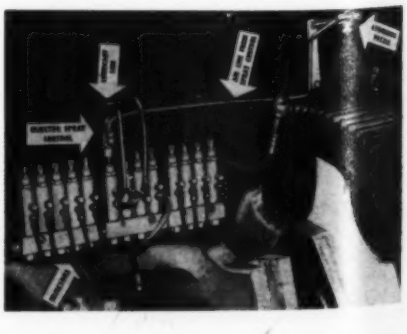

centralized lubrication systems. Valve can be assembled to any lubricant injector in the centralized system, mounted either adjacent to or remote from gears to be lubricated. As injector begins to discharge lubricant, spray control valve opens, allowing regulated air to pass spray nozzle, which atomizes lubricant into fine, uniform mist of air and lubricant. Output can be increased by diverting lubricant from two or more injectors through line to spray nozzle. Made by **Lincoln Engineering Co.**, Industrial Div., 5736 Natural Bridge Ave., St. Louis 20, Mo.

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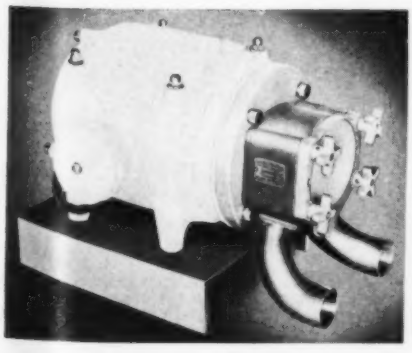

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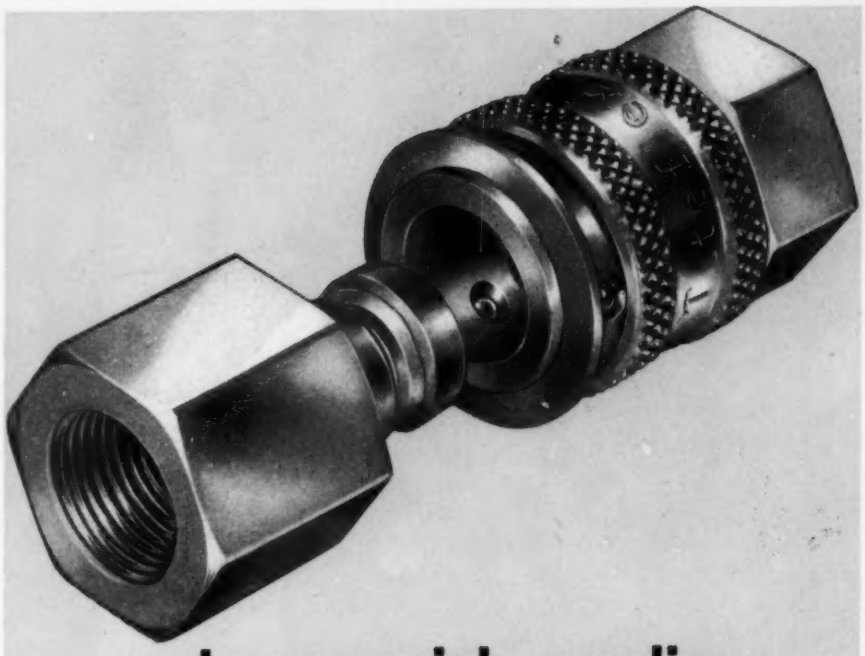

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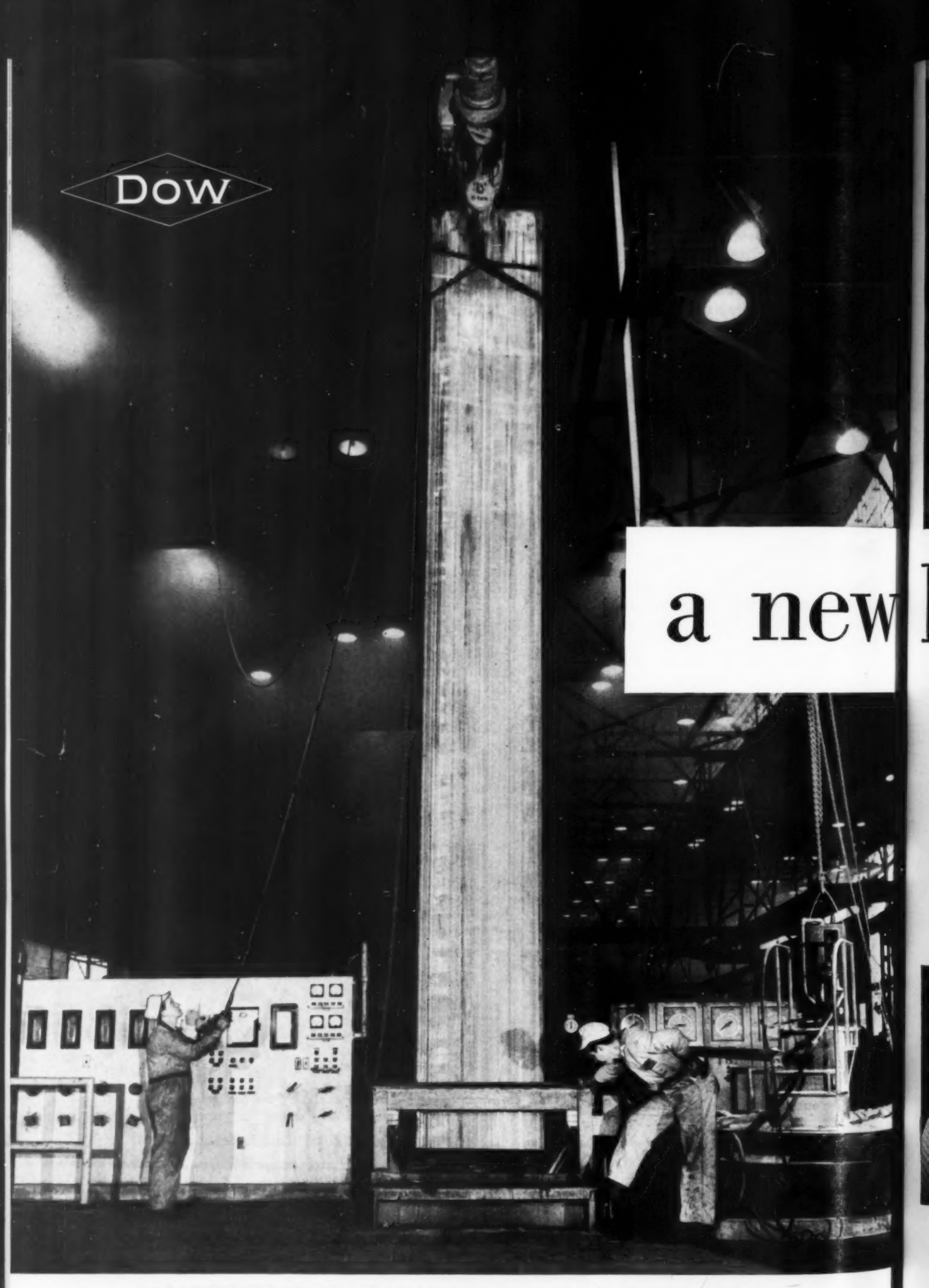

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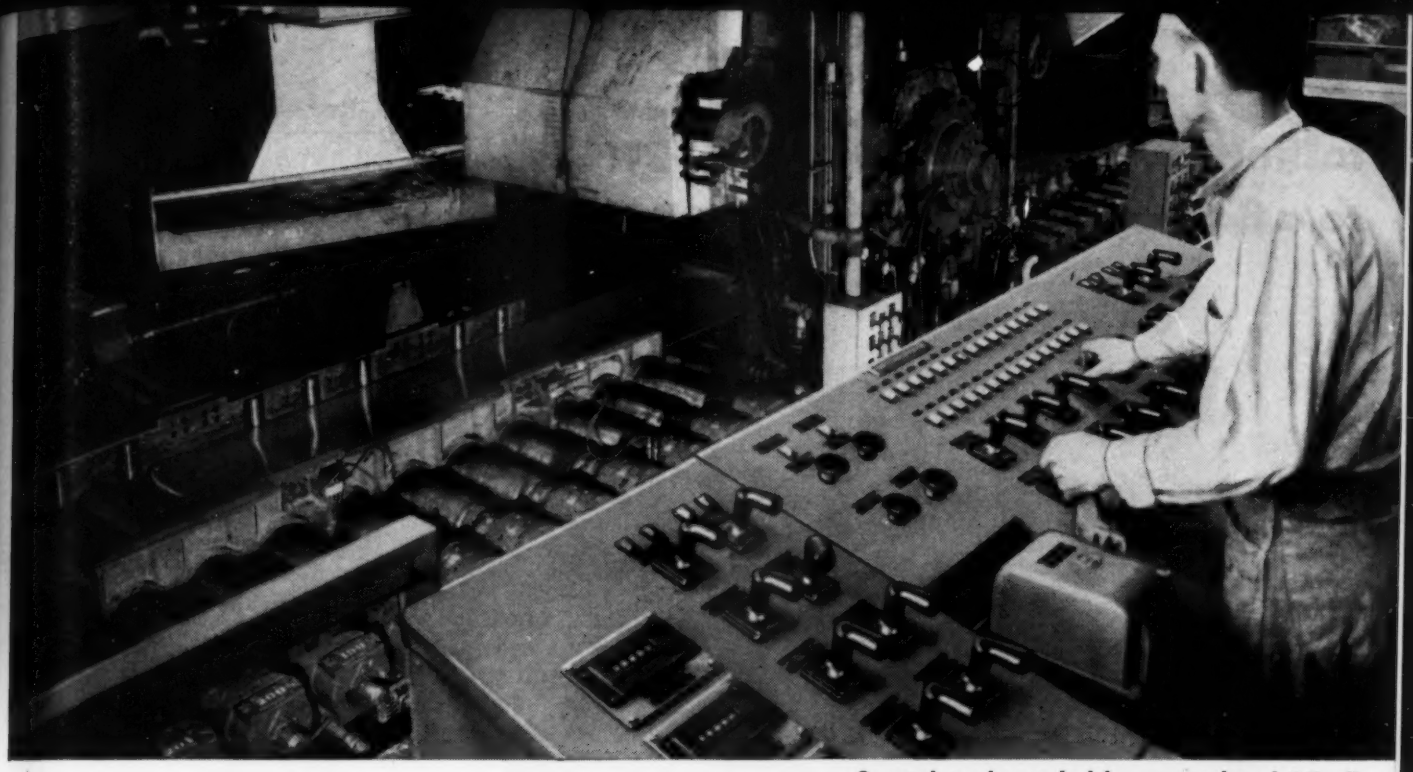

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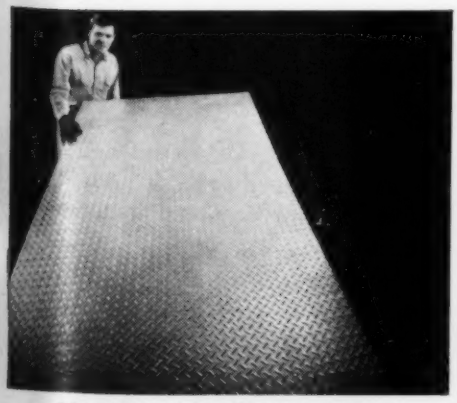

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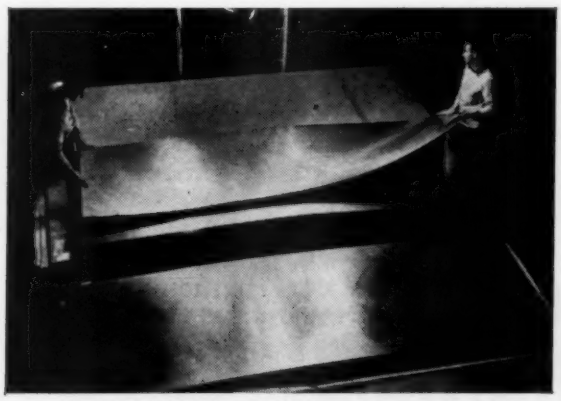

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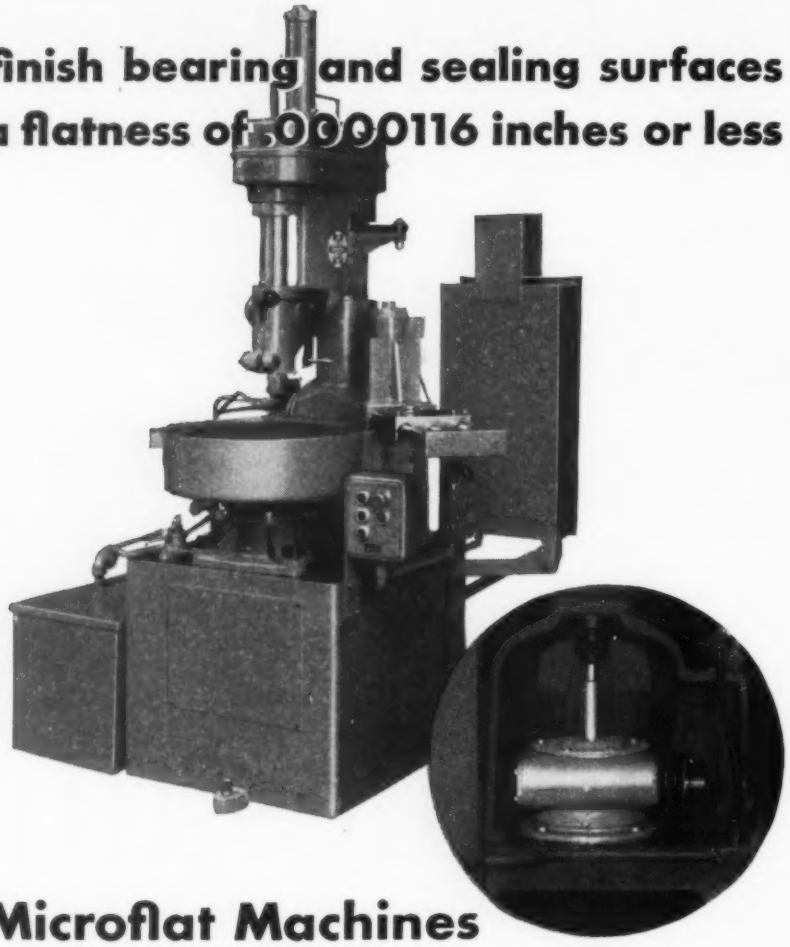

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contamination of the product from lubricants or other external sources. Made by **Vanton Pump & Equipment Corp.**, Empire State Bldg., New York 1, N. Y.

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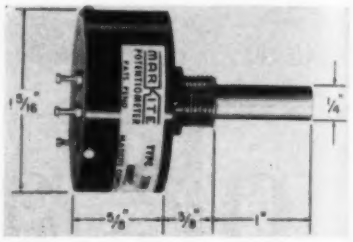

It will perform 5 million revolutions at maximum speed of 600 rpm. Active element is a solid resistance track of conductive plastic which is integrally co-molded, with terminals and center tap contacts, to a rigid phenolic insulator support. Torque is less than 0.5 oz-in. Standard resistance values of 2000 to 100,000 ohms with linearity of 0.5 or 1 per cent are available. Power rating is 2 w at 820 C. Made by **Markite Corp.**, 155 Waverly Place, New York 14, N. Y.

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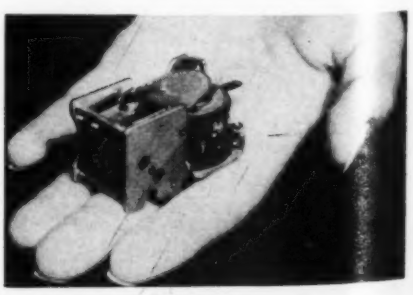

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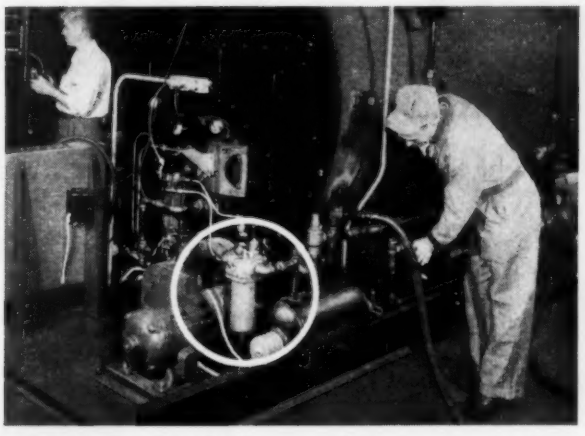
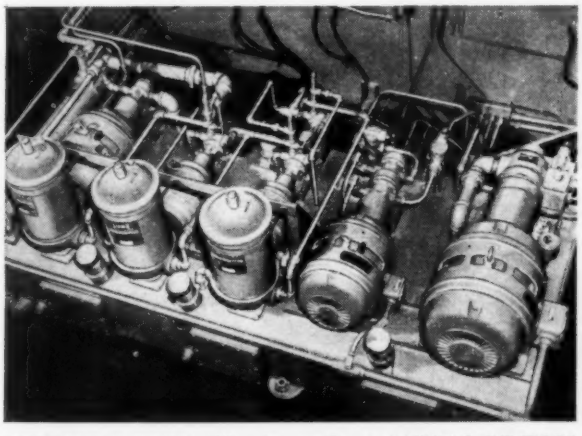
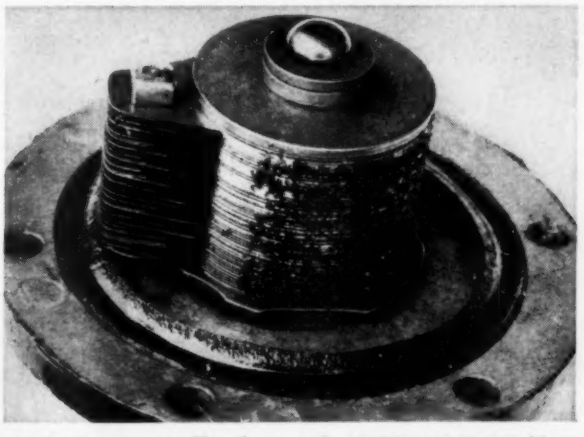


FUEL OIL. Leading boiler manufacturer uses continuously cleanable, all-metal Cuno AUTO-KLEANS to filter #6 and #7 fuel oil. He says, "... filter results are very satisfactory. Maintenance of filter is at the minimum." AUTO-KLEANS come in steel, brass or stainless; capacities range all the way from 1 GPM to 3,760 GPM.



HYDRAULIC FLUID. 50-micron Cuno MICRO-KLEAN filters protect precision parts in hydraulic and lube systems of way bed and worm drive box on this horizontal broach. MICRO-KLEAN provides full-flow filtration and protects cylinder rams, liners, valves and other parts.



LUBE OIL. Specially designed AUTO-KLEAN filter after green run in the lubrication system of automotive-type gasoline engine in military service. Note the core sand, sealing paint, lint and metal chips accumulated after only a few hours' operation — graphic proof of the need for full-flow filtration here.

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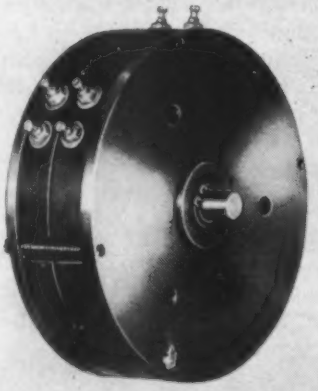

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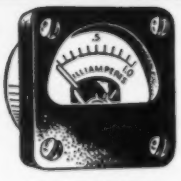

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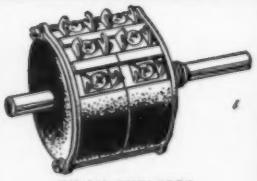

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or four digits. Manually reset counter wheels record to a maximum recommended speed of 1200 counts per minute. Unit is actuated electromagnetically and can be connected in vacuum tube plate circuits or operated by any contacting device. Units are available with or without cases, and a snap door on front of case allows resetting. Windings are to any voltage from 6 to 110 v dc. Made by **Abrams Instrument Corp.**, 606 E. Shiawassee St., Lansing 1, Mich.

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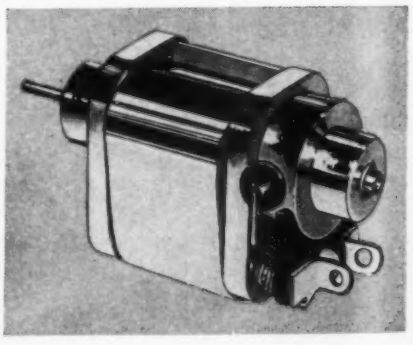
Precision Motor

Although this motor has dimensions of ¾ x ⅞ x 1⅜ in., it develops 1/500-hp. Speed range is



5000 to 20,000 rpm. Motor operates on 1½ to 28 v dc. Torque is 0.20-oz-in. Made by **Small Motors Inc.**, 2076 Elston Ave., Chicago 14, Ill.

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Air Control Valves

Pipe sizes ranging from ¼ to 1 in. are available in series of in-line valves consisting of 47 models. Variations include two or three-way action, solenoid or remote pilot actuation and line or foot-mounting. Complying with all JIC design standards, valves are claimed to be the first of their type to provide a fully enclosed solenoid. Pilot-operated, they function efficiently at pressures as low as 5 psi. Exhaust can be throttled to control speed. Sole-

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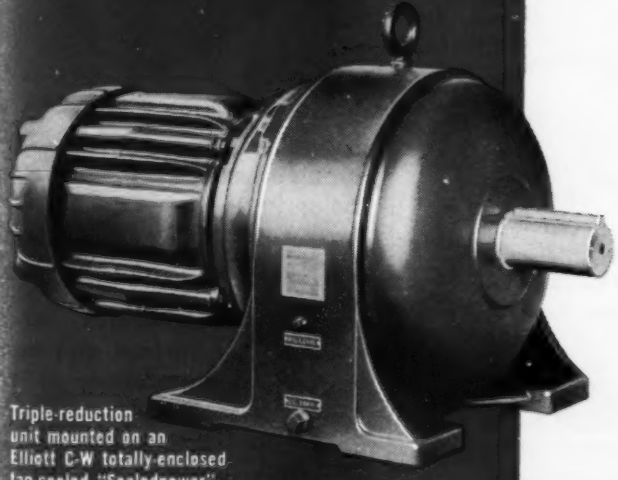

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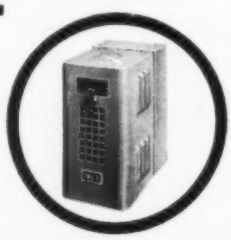
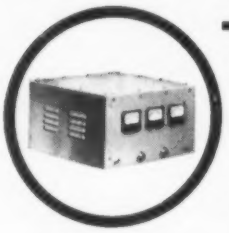


Using a completely static system, the RX60 has been designed to provide precise Voltage Regulation for all 60 cycle equipment.

Available in range from 1 KVA to upwards of 5000 KVA, the RX60 can be regulated to ±½%. It is adaptable to any machine with an exciter or will provide its own excitation if necessary.

Having no tubes, contacts or other electronic devices, the RX60 will last indefinitely with a minimum of maintenance.



INET RX400 Voltage Regulator

The RX400 also incorporates all static components and is made to give the same features of long life and low maintenance for 400 cycle applications.

Adaptable to all 400 cycle alternators, the RX400 will regulate voltage to ±½%, no load to full load.

This unit is recommended for use where precise regulation is important, such as Ground Power Supplies, Testing Aircraft Instruments, and in Guided Missile applications.

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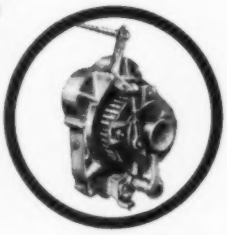

The DUPY is a load-sensing, electro-mechanical governor used for controlling the speed of a gas or diesel engine. In controlling this speed the DUPY holds D. C. Voltage stable and A. C. Frequency constant under *all load conditions.*

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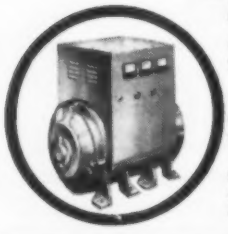

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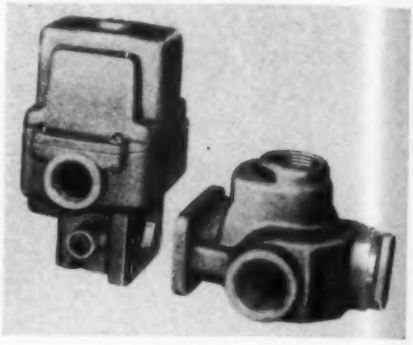

noid pilot head, illustrated, and remote pilot heads are interchangeable on the main valve assembly. Made by **Numatics,** Milford, Mich.

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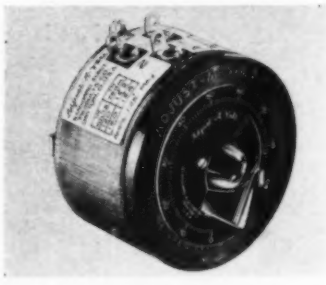
Variable Transformer

Compact Adjust-A-Volt model 100BU, for 50, 100 and 150-w loads, is a toroidally wound, hydrogen-annealed auto-transformer that will deliver smooth and continuous output voltages from zero to above line voltage. Voltage is adjustable with good regulation and no waveform distortion. Transformer has an extra-long brush spring which allows free action and



maintains constant brush pressure during brush life. A safety stop on the spring prevents contact of the brush holder and winding when the brush has completely worn down. LoRes alloy brush track plating eliminates deterioration of the commutation surface and assures long life. Transformer is rated single phase, 60 cycle, 120 v input; 0 to 120 v output, 1.25 output amp, 150/165 va. Made by **Standard Electrical Products** Co., 2240 E. Third St., Dayton, O.

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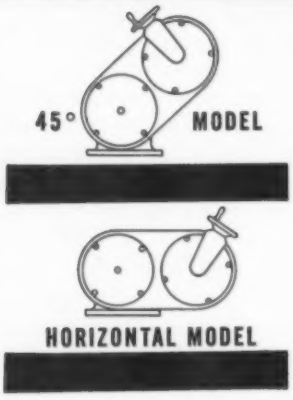

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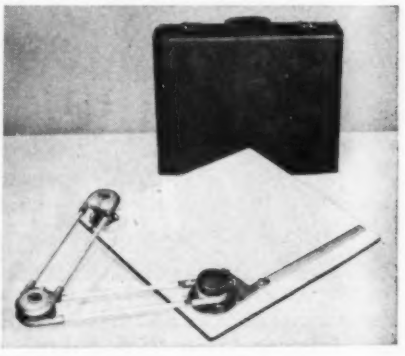

and a carrying carton or travel case. Equipment also includes a 4-in. diameter, 360-deg protractor with automatic 15-deg indexing; full base line selector; double 10′ vernier and clamp; screw clamp; enclosed band and pulley arms and built-in brake for 10-deg board slope. Vertically adjustable mounting permits direct layout work on sketch pads, plywood, sheet metal or any other material up to ¾-in. thick. Five scale styles make the Desk-Topper adaptable to many types of work. Made by **Universal Drafting Machine Corp.,** 7960 Lorain Ave., Cleveland 2, O.

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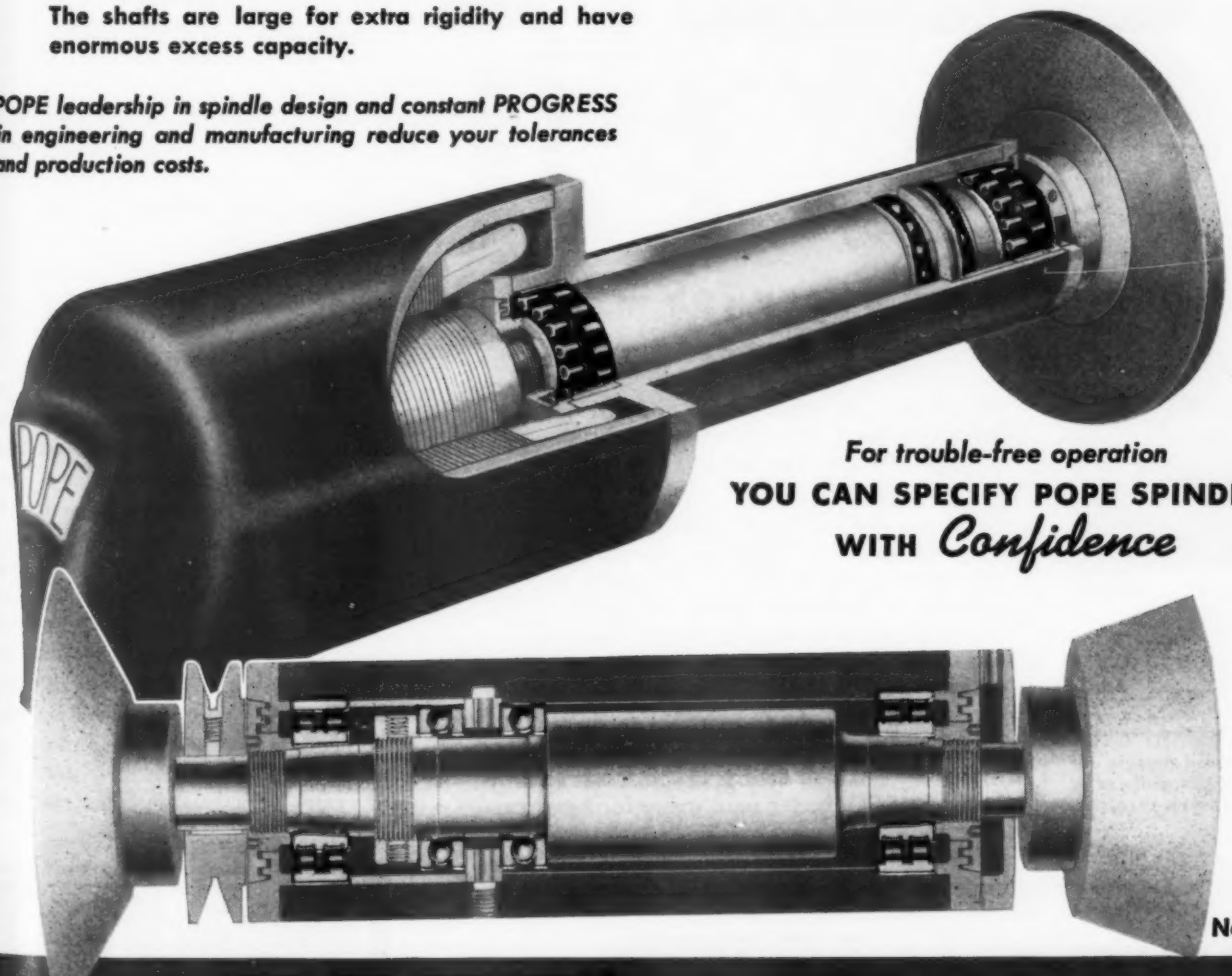

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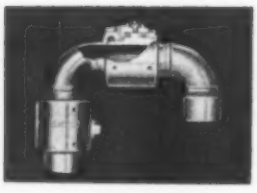

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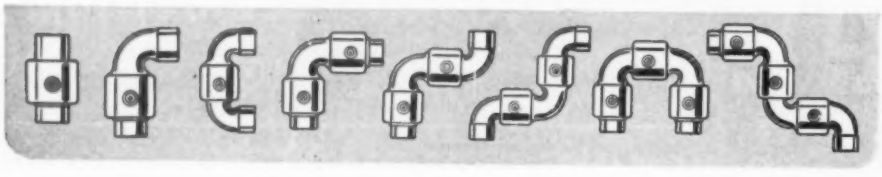

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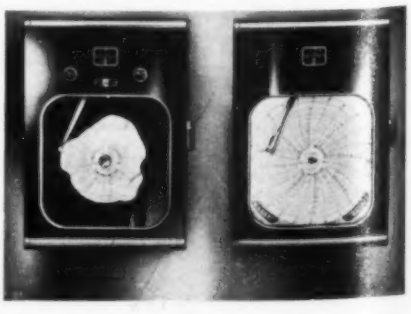

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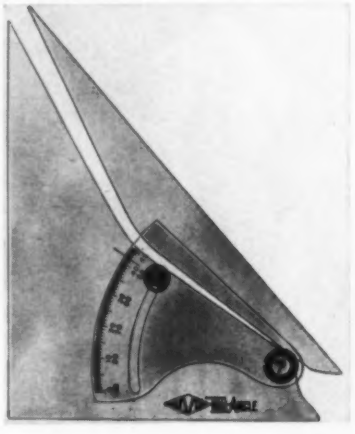

beveled edges to eliminate the possibility of parallax lines. Outer row of graduations indicates angles from 0 to 45 deg; inner row, from 45 to 90 deg. Made by **Alvin & Co.**, Windsor, Conn.

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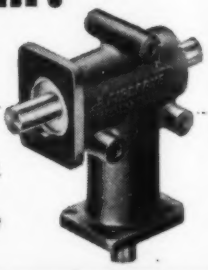

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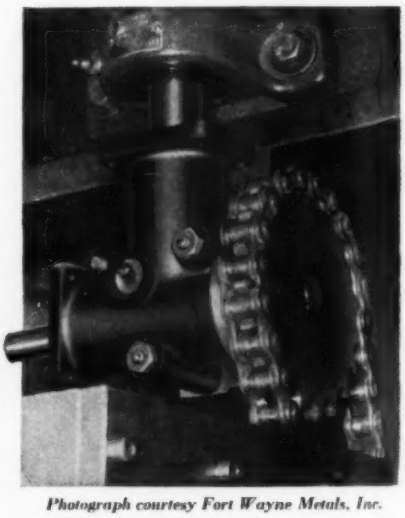

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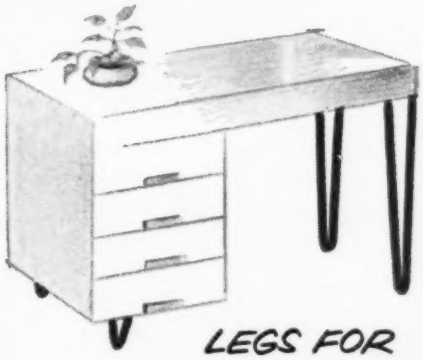

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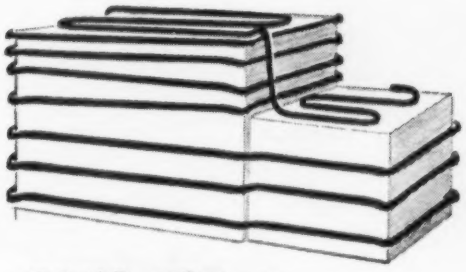

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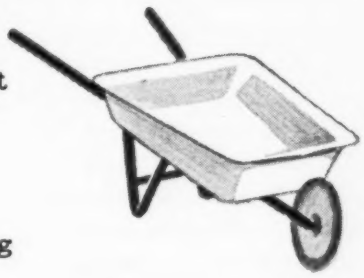

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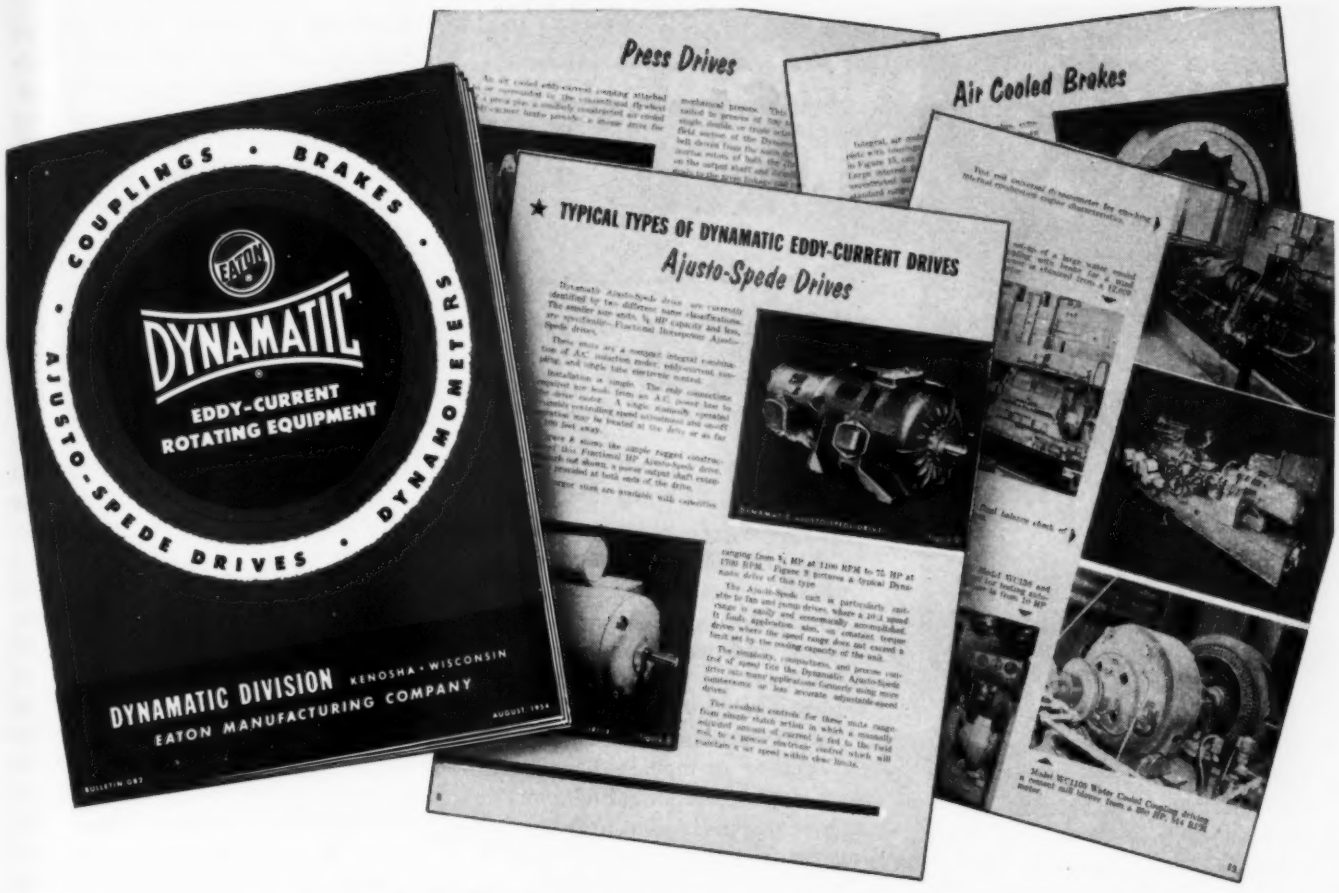

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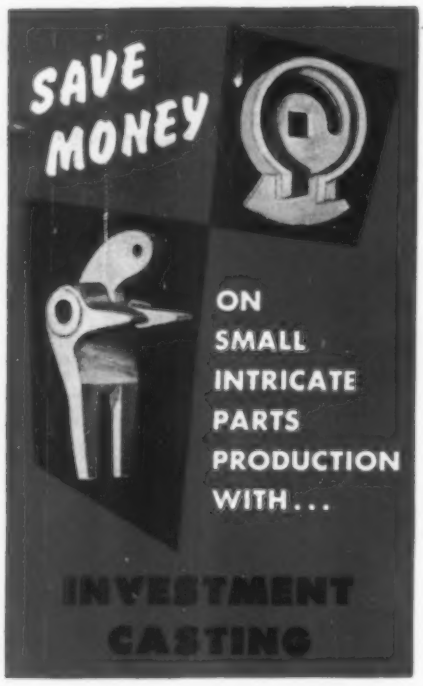

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"Look," you tell me, "I'm working every day with men in the office and plant who are doing technical jobs and never went beyond high school, and besides they are probably making as much pay as graduate engineers. What's more I know several organizations in which top engineering is not college-trained either. All in all, I think my son can get into engineering without that degree."

This is a line of thought which I have heard quite frequently and for all of it I have one question. How old are these men you are talking about who apparently made a mark in engineering without college training? Aren't they all over fifty and most of them more nearly sixty? If so, there are several reasons *why they* could do it, and the most important ones are the conditions at the time they made their start. Back in the early 1900's the engineering college was doubtless proud of its course of study and considered it adequate to meet the industrial demands of the day. But aside from a few fundamentals its curriculum did not bear too much resemblance to that of the engineering college today.

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Don't kid yourself and don't kid your friends who have asked you for advice. It will be an extremely exceptional case if a boy gets anywhere in engineering in the future without an engineering degree.

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Introduction to Dynamics. *By L. A. Pars, fellow and lecturer in mathematics, Cambridge University;* 523 *pages,* 5½ *by* 8½ *inches, clothbound; published by Cambridge University Press, London and New York; available from* MACHINE DESIGN, $6.00 *postpaid.*

This textbook includes in its scope the study of motion of particles, rigid bodies and systems in two dimensions. It is intended as a general introduction to the subject in which use of calculus is essential. In 26 chapters this book covers scalar and vector calculations, Newtonian mechanics, motion on a straight line and in a field of force, variable mass, motion in a plane, the conservative field, constrained motion, free motion, central orbits, inverse-square law, forces on a rigid body, motion about a fixed axis, impulsive motion, momentum and dimensions.

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Alternating-Current Machines. *By A. F. Puchstein, consulting engineer, The Jeffrey Mfg. Co., Columbus, O.; T. C. Lloyd, chief engineer, Robbins and Myers Inc., Springfield, O.; and A. G. Conrad, professor of electrical engineering, chairman, department of electrical engineering, Yale University;* 733 *pages,* 5¾ *by* 9 *inches, clothbound; published by John Wiley & Sons Inc., New York; available from* MACHINE DESIGN, $8.50 *postpaid.*

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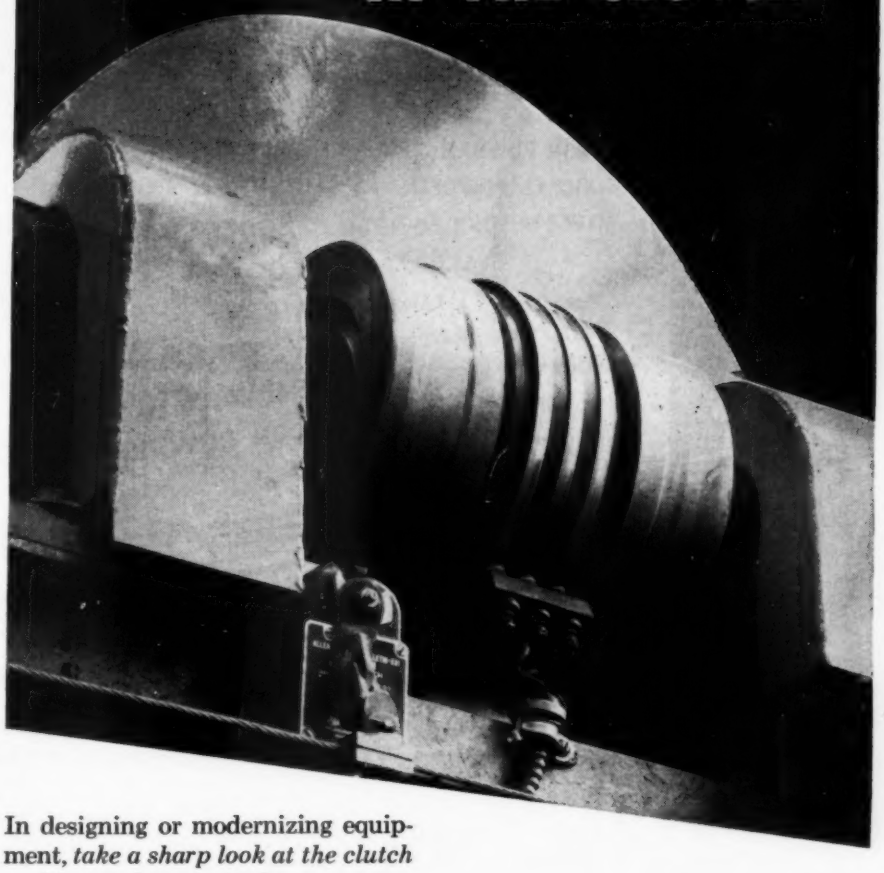

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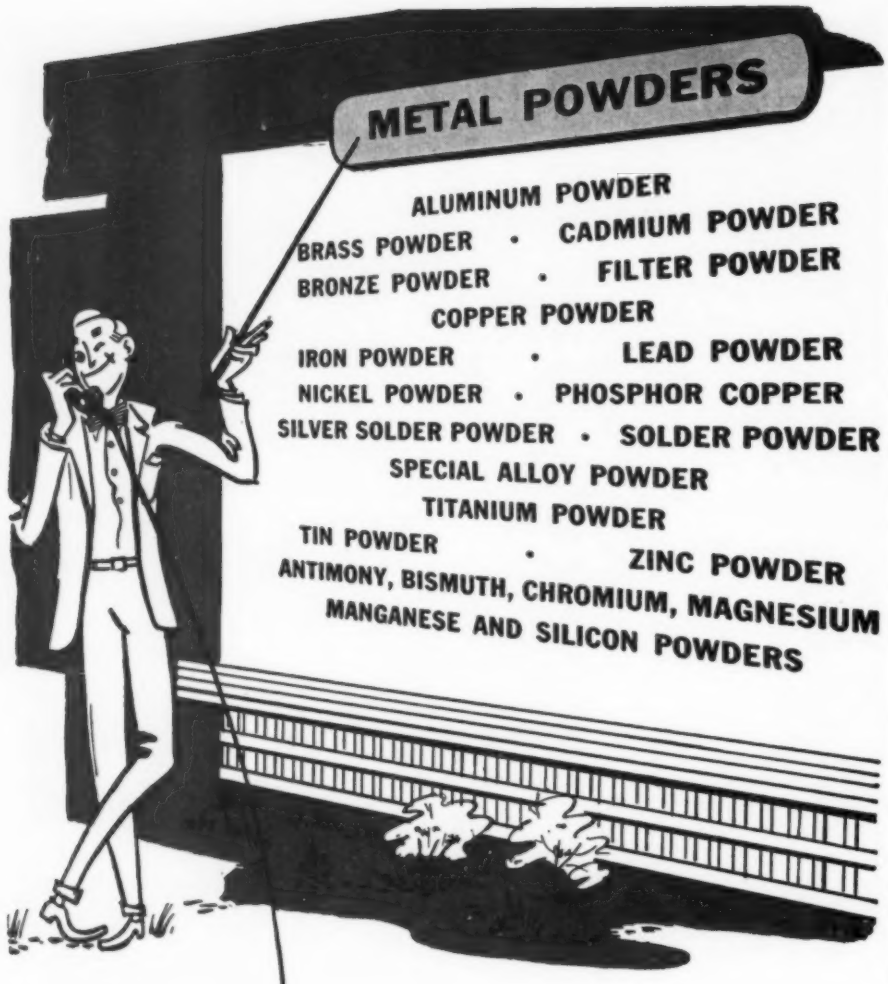

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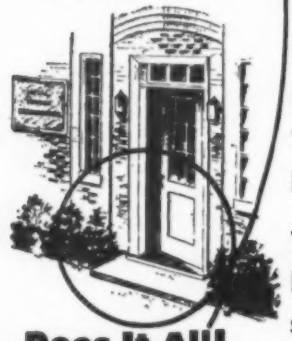

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Elementary Tool Design. *By Elmer B. Benson, gage design engineer, Rock Island Arsenal; 224 pages, 6¾ by 9¾ inches, clothbound; published by Chas. A. Bennett Co. Inc., Peoria, Ill.; available from* MACHINE DESIGN, *$4.76 postpaid.*

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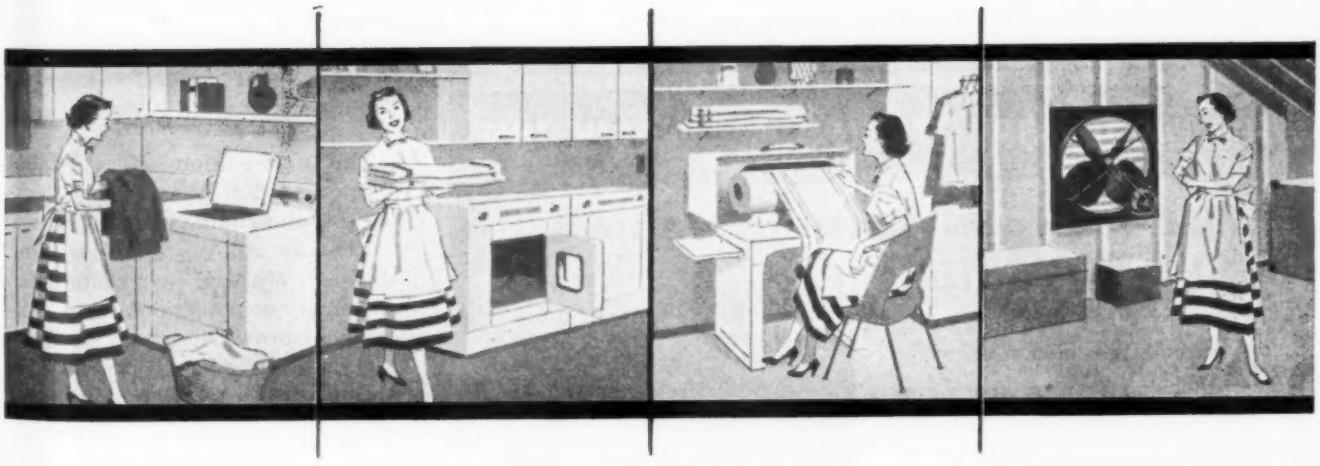

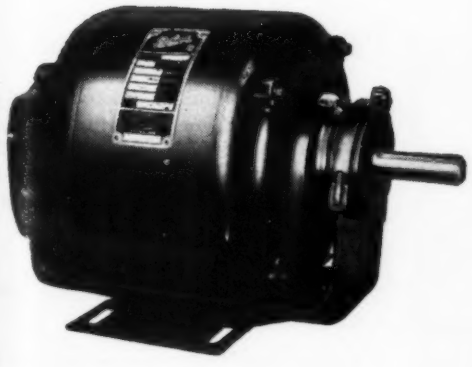

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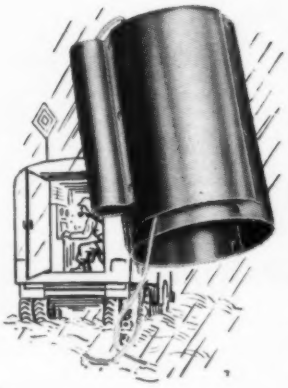

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Manufacturers' Publications

Aluminum Data Book. 220 *pages,* 5½ *by* 8¾ *inches, ringbound, paper covered; available from Reynolds Metals Company, Desk PR,* 2500 *South Third St., Louisville* 1, *Ky., on company letterhead request.*

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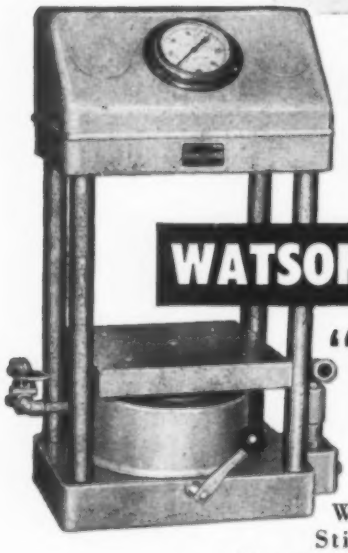

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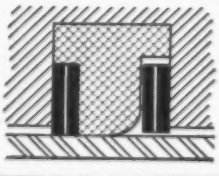

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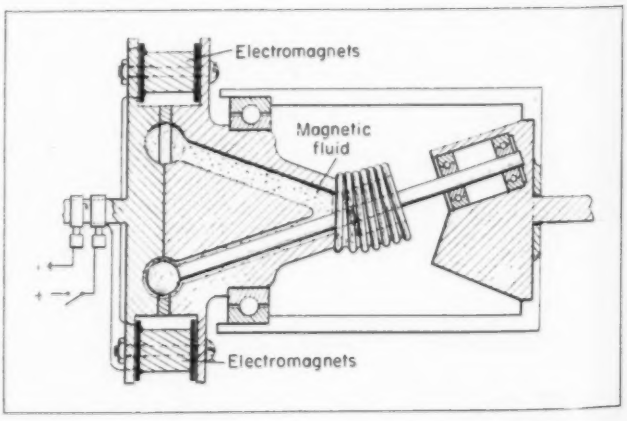

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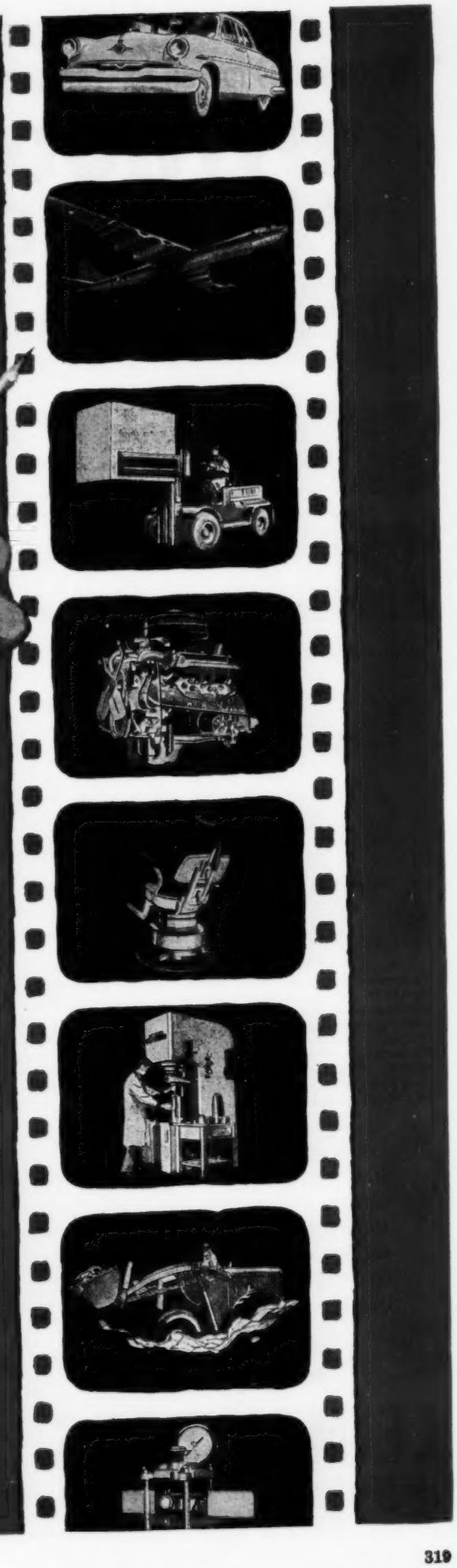

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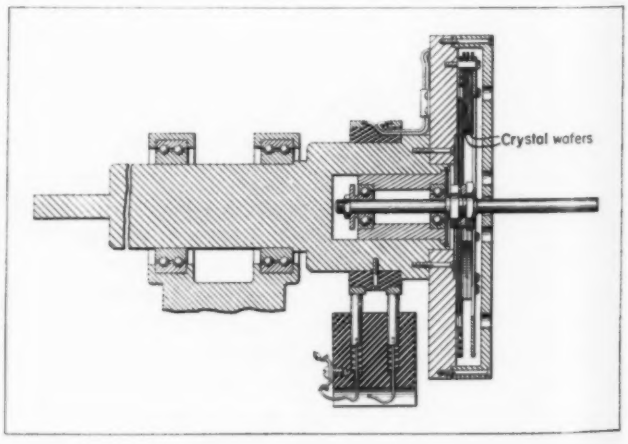

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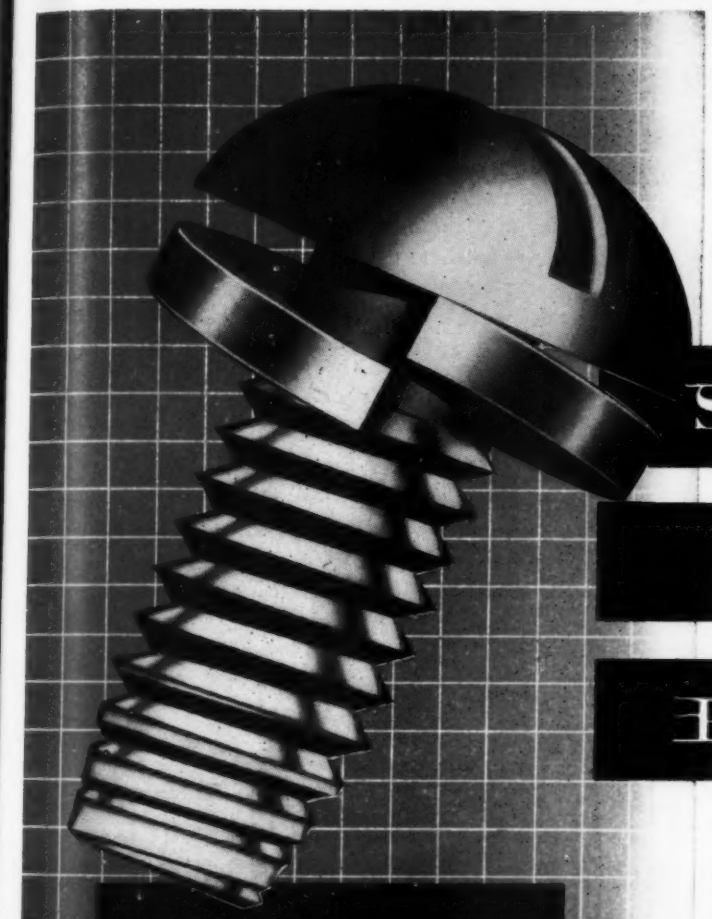

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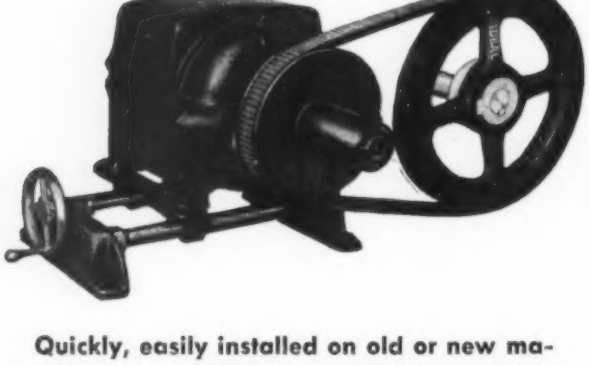

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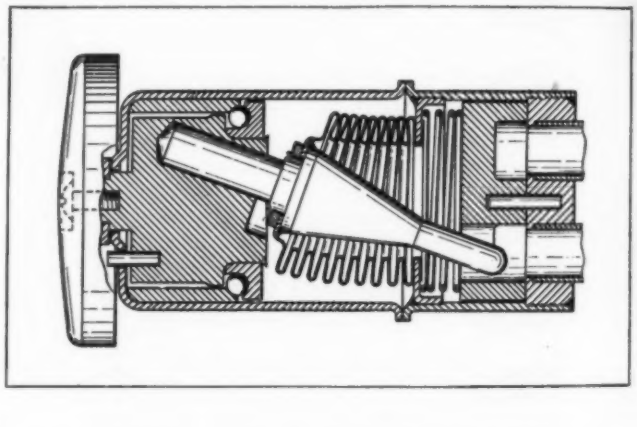
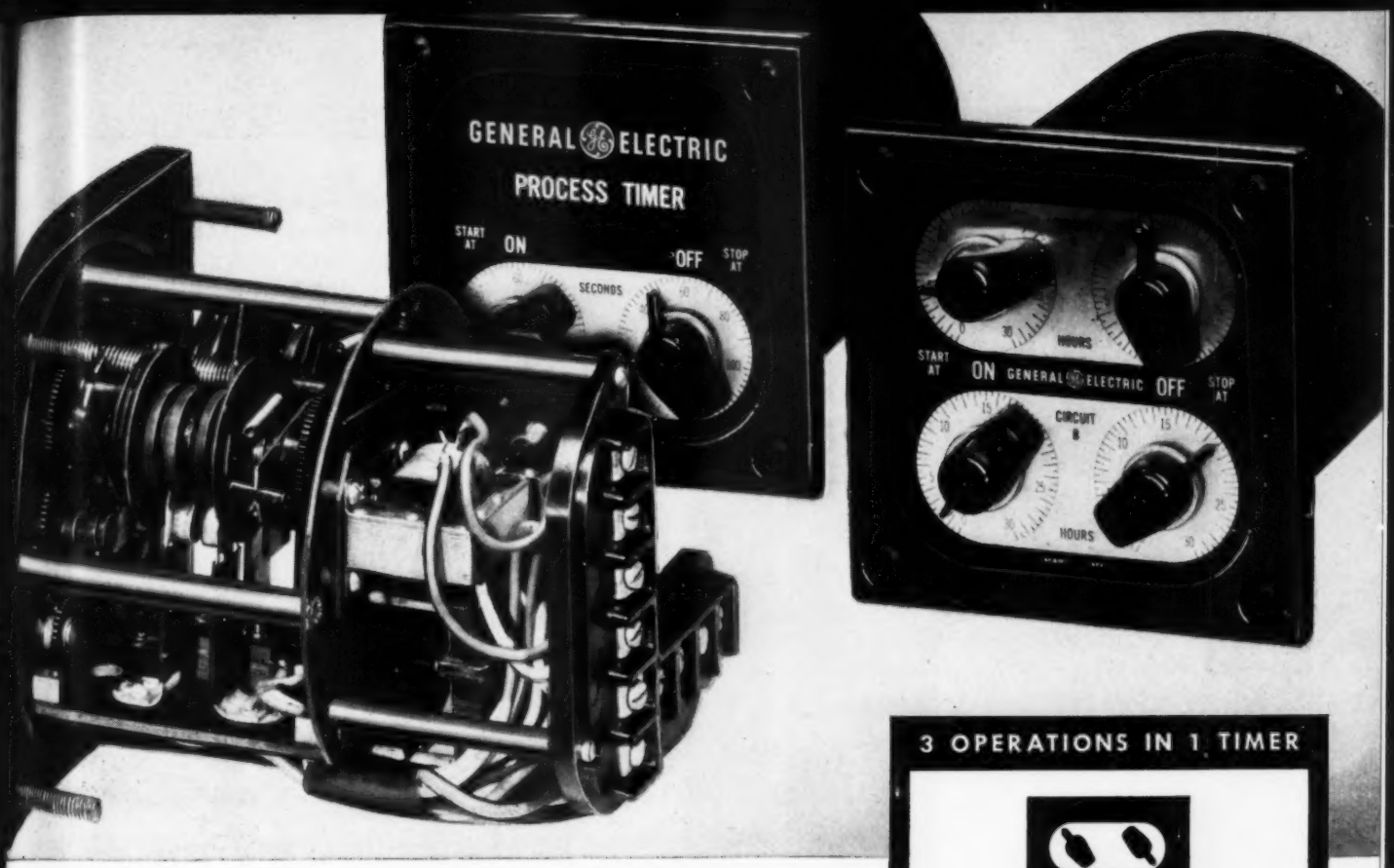


magnets supply the actuating magnetic field. Leakage is prevented by a fixed bellows seal which confines the magnetic fluid inside one rotating element. Since the magnetic fluid does not contact the bearings, there is no bearing wear from iron particles. *Patent* 2,665,789 *assigned to Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co. by W. H. Ingersoll.*

LEAKTIGHT SEALING of fluid-clutch shafts is accomplished with an annularly grooved steel ring rotating against a nylon sealing surface. Rotation of the steel ring gradually cuts mating grooves into the nylon seat increasing the effectiveness of the sealing engagement. Spring-loading of the steel ring insures a tight fit and takes up wear. The seal is especially suitable for use with abrasive fluids. *Patent* 2,668,068 *assigned to Norden Laboratories Corp. by H. Bredemeier.*

AUTOMATIC OVERLOAD prevention for rotating shafts is obtained with a clutch employing radial drive rollers. The rollers are mounted on a spring-



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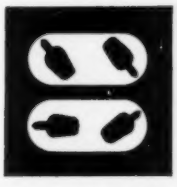
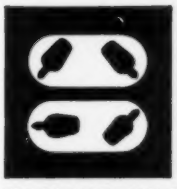
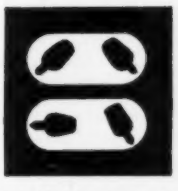


MANUAL OPERATION
Timer is started and reset manually from an external switch. Two adjustable load circuits independent of each other are available with this type of operation.



SEMI-AUTOMATIC OPERATION
Timer is started from external switch. Circuit "A" resets time at the end of the adjustable cycle. Circuit "B" opens and closes load circuit within the cycle.



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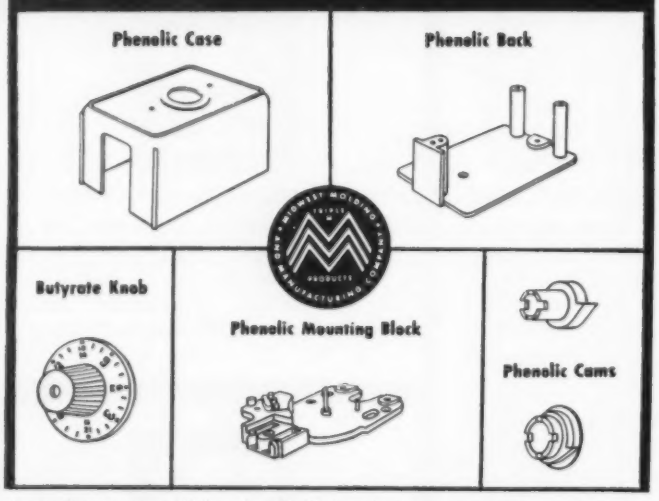

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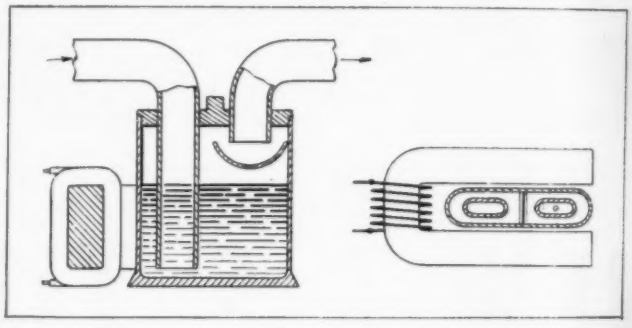
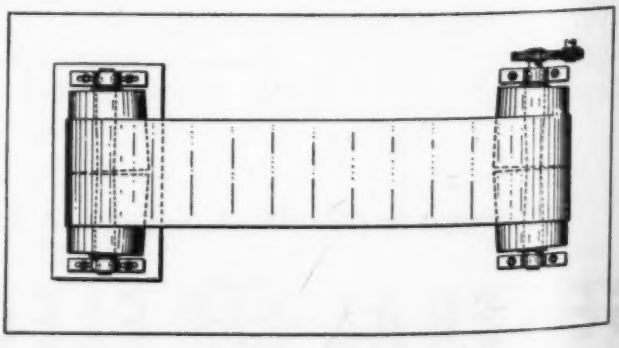
FLUID FLOW CONTROL is accomplished by pasing liquid or gas through a tank filled with an electromagnetic fluid solution. Rate of flow is con-



trolled by the amount of stiffness imparted to the magnetic solution by an external magnetic field. Baffles prevent extreme agitation of the fluid. *Patent* 2,670,749 *assigned to Hanovia Chemical and Mfg. Co. by E. Germer.*

AUTOMATIC BELT CENTERING of metal belts for power or conveyor service is achieved with a resiliently mounted, split, crowned pulley. Centering forces between the pulley and the belt are the result of the inward tilting of the pulley halves by the belt. Greater compression of the resilient mounting material at the crowned center of the pulley produces greater pressure against the center of the belt, tending to keep it aligned. *Patent* 2,665,592 *assigned to U. S. Steel Corp. by E. T. Lorig.*



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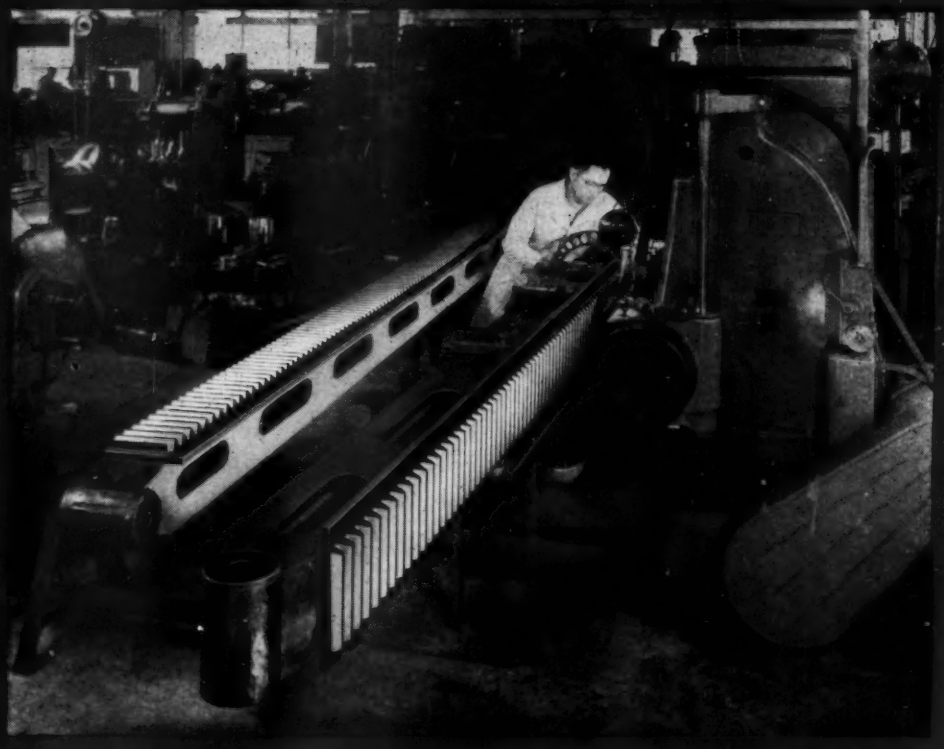

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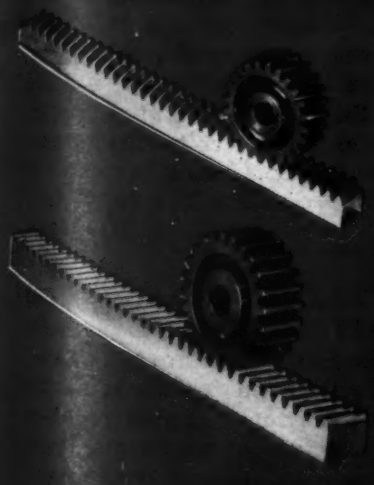

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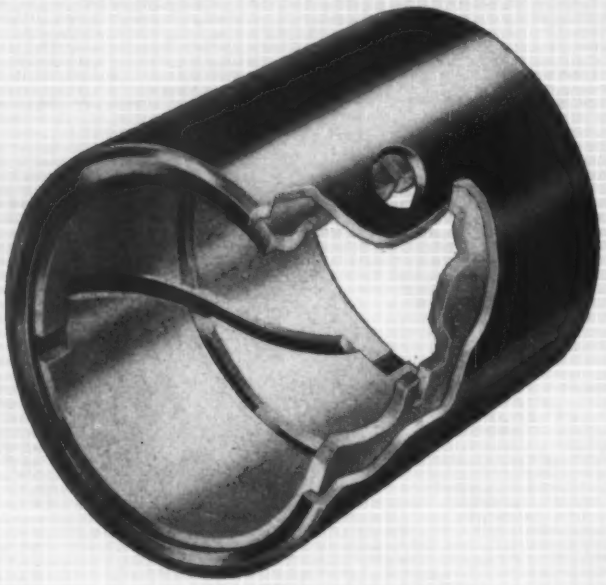

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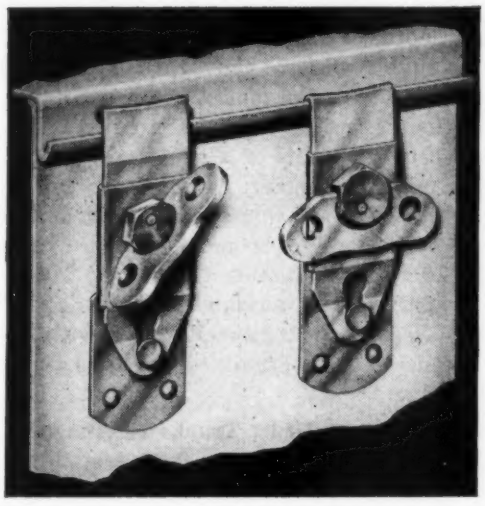

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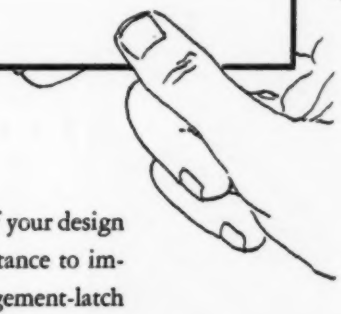

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Battery-Powered Lift Truck: New model Power Ox is operated by riding driver from a standing position. Located in the steering handle are forward and reverse pushbutton controls and dual trigger hand-operated brake controls for operation with either hand. Automatic speed acceleration is provided, with four speeds forward and three reverse. Truck has speeds up to 6 mph with no load and 3½ mph with load. Power for operation is from a 24-v battery. Truck is built in standard capacities of 4000 and 6000 lb. *Barrett-Cravens Co., Northbrook, Ill.*

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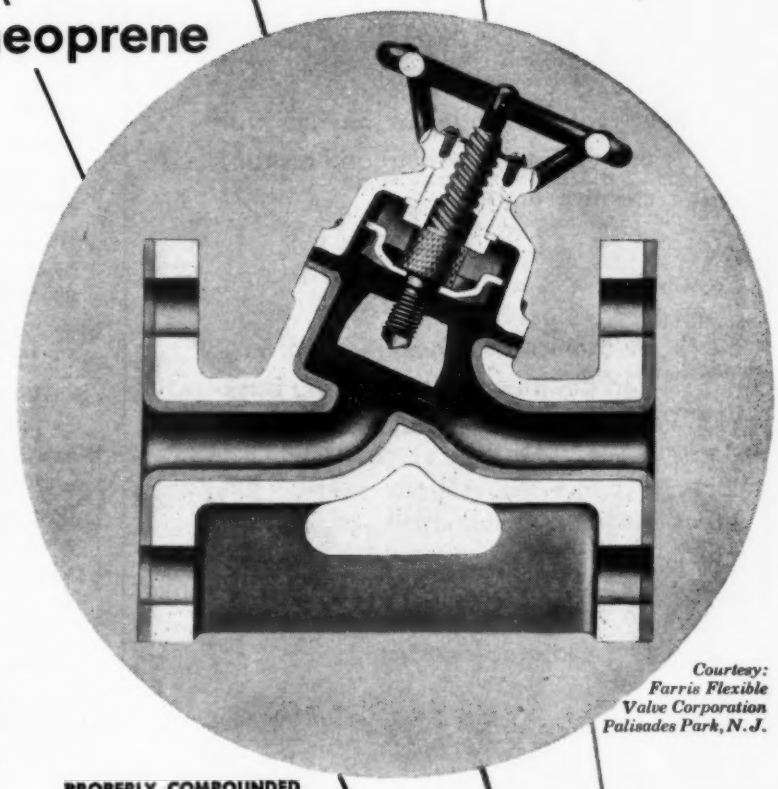

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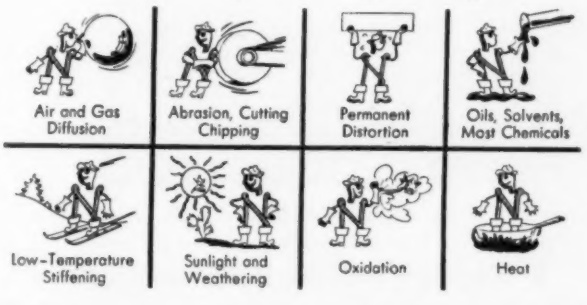

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Battery-Powered Pallet Stacker: Originally designed to plug into an electrical outlet, pallet stacker is now available with a 12-v, battery-operated lifting motor and automatic, built-in charger. Two 6-v, 125 amp-hr batteries are wired in series to provide the 12-v current. With capacity to lift and stack 2000-lb pallet loads, unit has adjustable-base forks that will straddle all popular size pallets. Lifting forks are also adjustable in width and can be furnished in lengths of 36 or 40 in. Stacker is positioned manually and has a steering arrangement which provides good maneuverability. *Raymond Corp., Greene, N. Y.*

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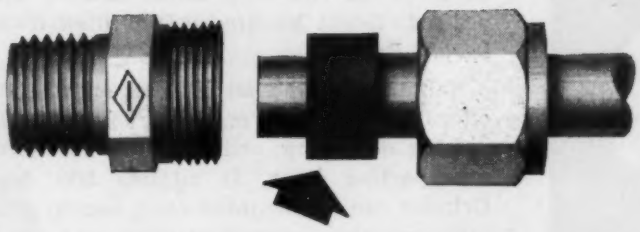

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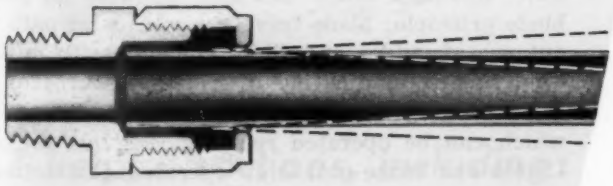

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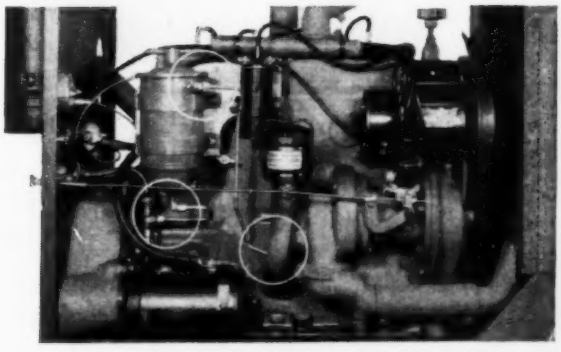

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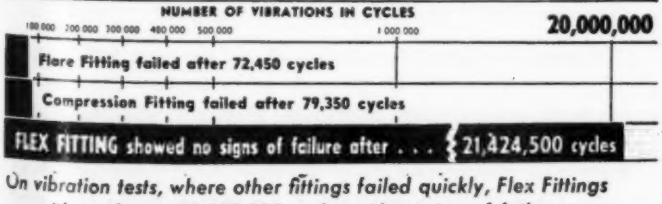

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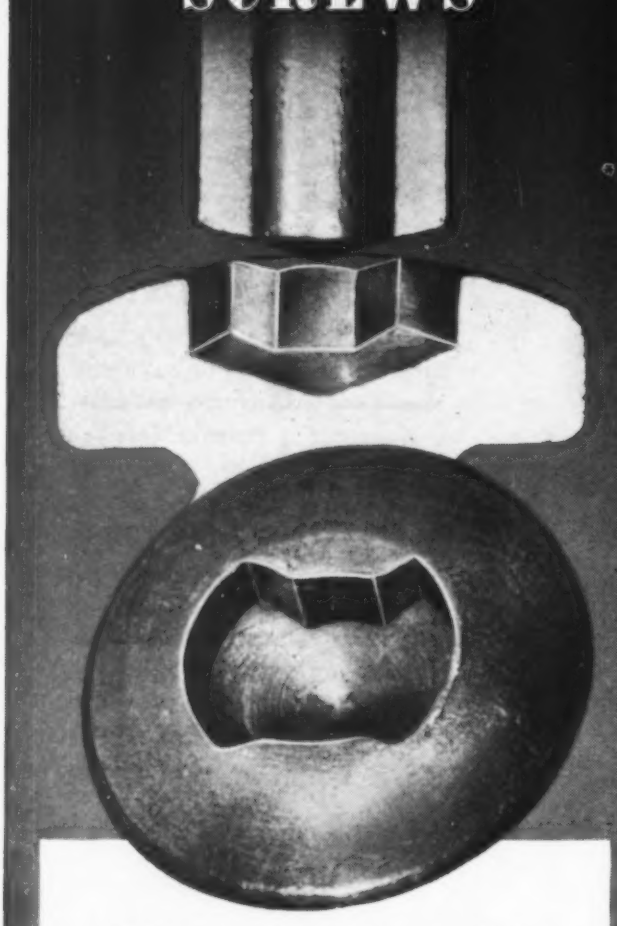

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Reversing Mill: Combination two-high, four-high reversing mill can both cold reduce and skin pass either light or heavy gage material. It has two tension reels equipped with belt wrappers, base plate with integral coolant and lubrication sumps, coil box and pay-off reel. When used as a four-high mill, with 4½ and 16 x 20-in. rolls, it has driven back-up rolls, and each roll has its own individual motor without a mechanical tie-in. When used as a two-high mill, with 21 x 18 in. rolls, the same motors and drive are utilized. *Lewis Machinery Div., Blaw-Knox Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.*

Belt Grinder: Model 500 contact wheel belt grinder offers flexibilty and maneuverability in operations involving deburring, chamfering, removal of flash, fins and parting lines. It adjusts 360 deg vertically. Grinder can be mounted on a bench, pillar, portable table or other convenient place and can be used for finishing steel, cast iron, bronze, aluminum, wood and plastic parts. *B & E Mfg. Co., Kansas City, Mo.*

Plate Shear: Model 24G-8 Steelweld shear is designed for production shearing of steel plate in sizes up to 8 ft long and 1½ in. thick, at a rate of 22 strokes per minute. Shear is sturdily constructed with end housings, crown and bed welded into a solid, one-piece unit. Machine operates on pivoted-blade principle; blade travels in a circular path without use of guides and slides common with guillotine type shears, eliminating a principal source of wear and shearing inaccuracy. An electric foot switch which can be operated remotely controls the shear. Clutch and brake unit is air-operated, fast-acting and provides quick, positive clutching and braking with minimum slippage. Two counterbalances cushion blow of the shear, reducing noise. Micro-set knife adjustment facilitates adjustment of knife clearance to suit thickness of metal being cut. When hand of dial indicator reaches figure representing plate thickness, machine is ready to cut. Adjustments are provided to enable machine to perform slitting and notching operations. *Cleveland Crane & Engineering Co., Wickliffe, O.*

Pneumatic Presses: Series of air presses ranging in capacity from ¾ to 2 tons is designed for use in press-fit assembling, marking, forming, staking, light stamping and similar operations. Machine has 5-in. long side-thrust-resisting bearing, heavy-walled brass cylinder which is unaffected by moisture in line and removable base with large ground surface area to facilitate fixture mounting. Four models have cylinders of 4, 5, 6 and 7-in. bores, with power factors of 12.56, 19.63, 28.18 and 38.47 times air line pressure, respectively. The three larger models have 3 in. stroke, ¾-in. ram, 6½ in. throat depth, 9 in.

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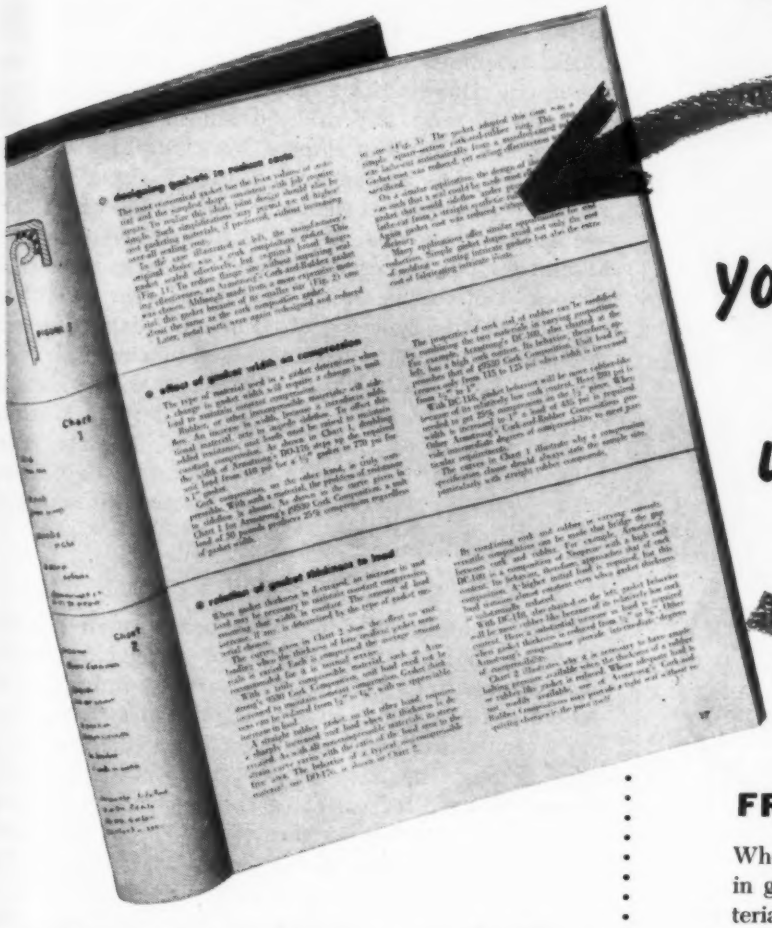

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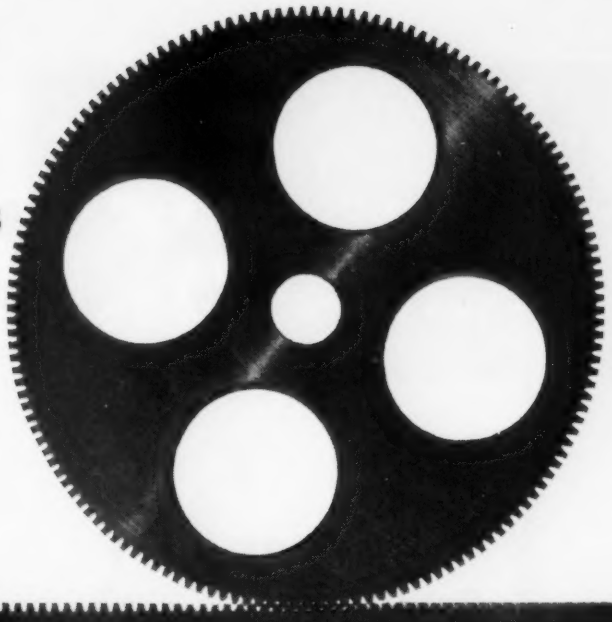

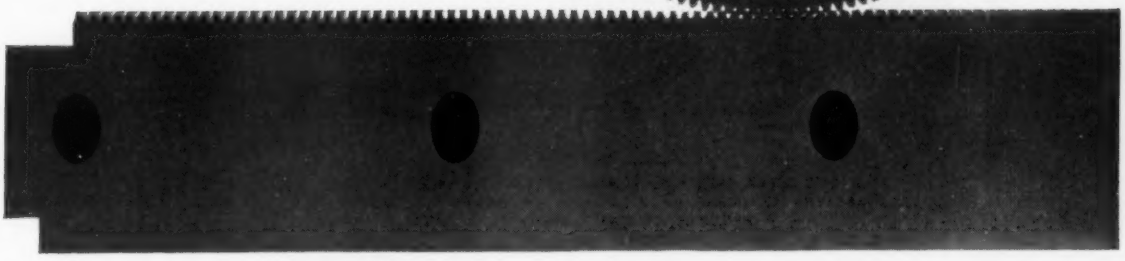

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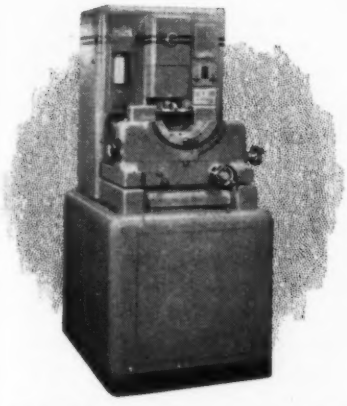

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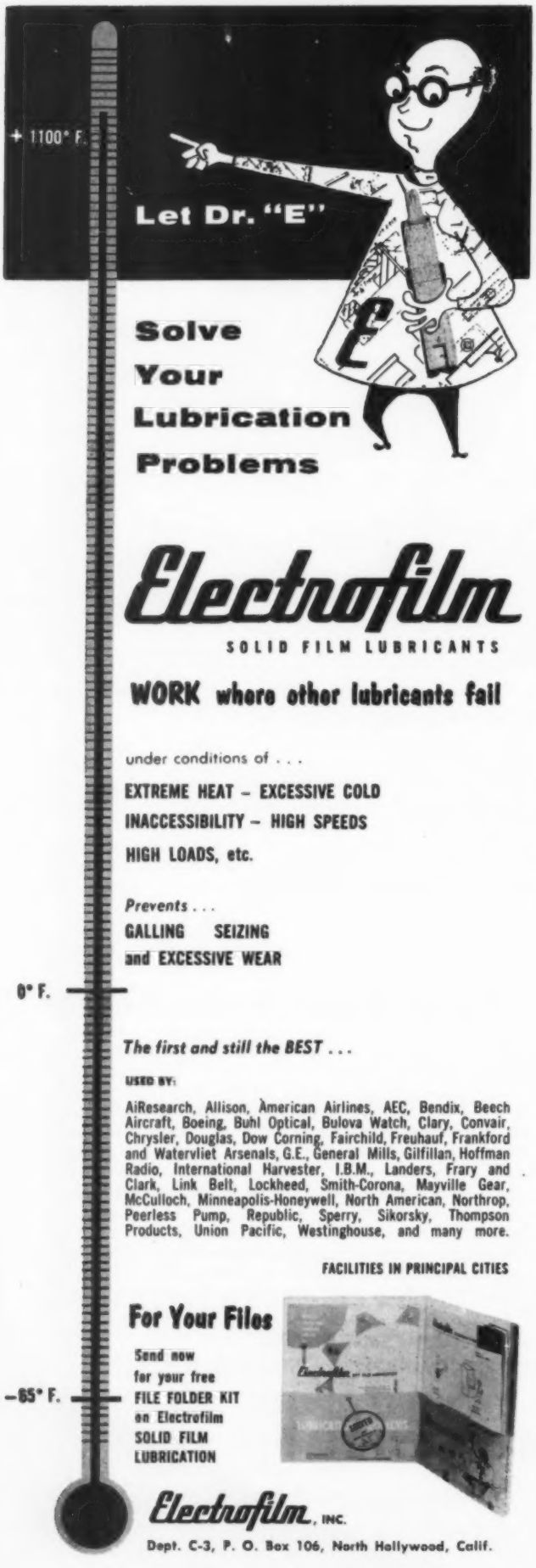
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Resistance Meter: Model D-1 Regmeter provides direct measurement of power supply internal resistances. It measures resistances from 0.02 to 1000 ohms in voltage sources with outputs ranging from 0 to 500 v. Instrument may also be used as a voltmeter for measurements from 5 cps to 10 kc per second, or as a general linear ohmmeter, measuring ripple and noise. Output terminals are provided so that transient response of a source under test may be viewed on an oscilloscope, or so that the voltmeter output can be viewed in general testing. Four linear resistance ranges of 0 to 1, 0 to 10, 0 to 100 and 0 to 1000 ohms full scale are provided. Four voltage ranges are 0 to 10 mv, 0 to 100 mv, 0 to 1 v and 0 to 10 v rms full scale. Instrument includes a high-gain amplifier employing negative feedback for stability and linearity. Part of the circuitry is a synchronous detector, which eliminates effects of poor filtering or extraneous noise while measuring resistance. *Alto Scientific Co., Palo Alto, Calif.*

Hardness Tester: Model Y semi-automatic Rockwell motorized hardness tester has test cycle of less than 2 seconds' duration, facilitating rapid data handling. Motor removes major load in test cycle. Instrument has an illuminated dial gage, indenter light and Set-O-Matic dial gage whose pointer automatically returns to zero when the minor load is applied. Unit is furnished with 1/16-in. steel ball penetrator chuck and set of anvil, dead weights for applying 60, 110 and 150 kg major loads. It is equipped with two B scale and two C scale test blocks and a vinyl plastic cover. Bench space required is 12 x 20 in. *American Chain & Cable Co. Inc., Bridgeport, Conn.*